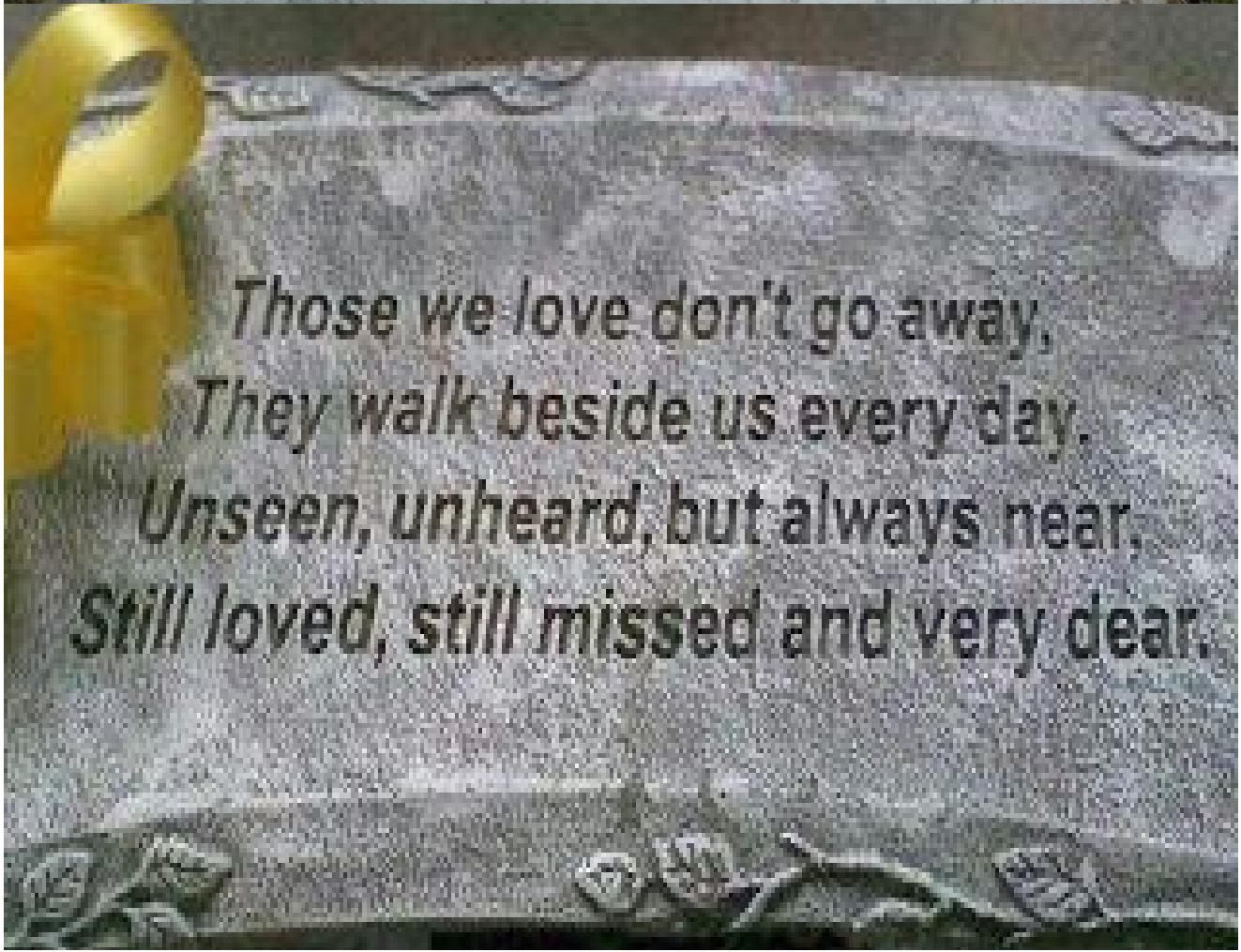


Epitaphs



DO GOOD WHILE
YOU STILL CAN
BEFORE ITS TOO LATE



*Those we love don't go away,
They walk beside us every day.
Unseen, unheard, but always near.
Still loved, still missed and very dear.*

A collection local epitaphs has been started by a humble historian. However many stones are unreadable. If you know of an epitaph please send it to me and I will give you credit if you wish.



Above from St Clement Cemetery

Behold and see as you pass by,
As you are now so once was I
As I am now you soon will be,
Prepare thyself to follow me
Use time wisely waste it not,
As soon this to,
Will be your lot

Many but not all below from Warren Union Cemetery Warren Michigan
This Cemetery has many more but I cannot get down on my knees to read them and
many are difficult to read. Can someone please help me. Wesley Arnold.

I will give you credit. Contact me at wecare@macombhistory.us

If you have family here perhaps you have a record can find what the inscription said.

Please share it for future generations.

Skinner Ida ag 20 “We miss thee, yes, no tongue can tell, How much we
loved thee, nor how well”

Crawford/Tanner Ida A “Half blown the rose, half withered and died. Sweet
perfume lingers around us still, and Mid the thorns at its faced side, But one
bud remains to fill the place now left.”

Giff Effenie d 1888 ag 70 yr Giff Thistherod William 1881 “Jesus, while our hearts are bleeding, O'er the spoils that death has won, We would at this solemn meeting, calmly say “Thy will be done, Though cast down, we are not forsaken, Though afflicted not alone, Thou didst give and now has taken, Blessed lord, Thy will be done.”

Evarts Alison A May 27, 1886 ag 38 yrs 3 mos* “**Farewell Friend**”

Cartwright 4 lines can't read I need help on this.

Murthum Minnie 1884 ag 19 “A loved one has gone from our circle On Earth we will meet her no more, She has gone to her home in heaven, And all her afflictions are o'er.

Tharrett John d 1876 ag 77 “affliction sore I long have bore Physician skill were vain, till Christ the chief, he brought relief, and eased me from my pain Tharrett Maria d 1889 ag 80 “Mother, you have gone and left us and we miss you in our house, But we hope again to meet you, where no parting will be known.”

Tharrett Willie R son of A & E d sep 17, 1885 ag 2 3 ds* “**Good Bye**”

Tharrett Theadore son of J & M d Jul 27, 1860 ag 11 yrs Not lost but gone before

Denison David son of David and Mercy L djUL 26 1853 ag 27 9 6*

“His dying words “Farwell dear friends, I leave you here, With her to me who is most dear, For health decline and I must die and go to Mansions in the sky, I leave you in the hands of God, who purchased you with His own Blood, Though I must bid you all goodbye, **I hope to meet you in the sky.**”

Ames shows a willow. Weep not for me (pointing finger) Heaven is my home

Davy Willie R d 1855 ag 5 ys **My blighted hopes**

Davy Izora A dau d 1855 ag 3 ys **My wilted Flower**

Denison James Orison son of Avery and Mary d 1842 ag 20 ys evls in ?
sileberg in the lamb he living friends do sigh dry your tears he is not here the
sprit it on high n ough dust returns to dust witness? U t vanquished is the
lamb, shull regain thost meulihrtmry bow then Christ in judgment barr?

Denison David A W 8m **GONE SO SOON**

Denison Elsey Hough d 1840 ag 24 “Farewell my dear husband, the Lord
bide me come, Farewell my dear sisters I am now going home Bright angels
are whispering, so sweet in my ear, away to my Saviour,my spirit shall steer.
I am going, I am going, but what do I see,'Tis Jesus in glory appears unto me,
To Heaven, to Heaven, I am going, I'm gone, All glory, Oh Glory, 'tis
finished, 'tis done.”

Our mother at rest
Dearest husband thou dost sleep

Brown Lydia Barclay d 1864 ag 19y **Friends are passing over**

Van Antwerp Sarah d1867 stone flat near front fence A light from our
household is gone, a voice that we loved is stilled,a vacant place is in our
house, that never can be filled. “Brother in the solemn trust, we comment
thee dust to dust, in that faith we wait til risen, Thou shalt meet us all in
heaven.”

Morehead Charles Adair Sep 16, 1865 ag24* inscription unreadable now

In the back of the cemetery area I was told a stone read **Do good while
there is still time before it is too late**

Charley needs reading below soil level
Halsey inscription now unreadable

Barr Mary1881“**A mother and a wife most dear A faithful friend lies
buried here” She was an affectionate wife and mother, a dutiful
daughter and good sister. Her loss is deeply felt by all**

14-8 Barr Nancy d 1846 ag 2 had 4 line epitaph can't read
14-8 Barr Mary a D 1850 had 4 line epitaph

Barr Reuben C d Jan 7, 1873 aged 70y 10m* Go Home dear friend, Wipe off your tears, Here I must lie, Till Christ appears.

Barr Orlando D d 1863 ag 1 How sweet the thought when ere by death Dear ones from us are driven We too shalt soon resign our breath And live with them in Heaven

Minns Robert Osborn son of Phillip and Mary Jane 1873 ag 4y Bring little children to me and forbid them not for such is the kingdom of heaven

Minns Mary Jane d Jun 8, 1872 ag 42 **She was an affectionate wife and mother, a dutiful daughter and good sister. Her loss is deeply felt by all.**

Cole Marilla wife of Moses Cole d 1864 ag 25ys unreadable

Smith Robert D Jan 11, 1803 Jan 10, 1889 ag 86

A precious one from us is gone, a voice we love is stilled.

A place is vacant in our home, which never can be filled.

God in his wisdom has recalled the boon his love had given.

And though the body slumbers here, the soul is safe in heaven.

Royce Silvenus d 1865 ag 51y Rest sweetly, thou departed one, though sorrow fills this heart of mine, Ere long, life's tedious journey done, my spirit freed will seek out thine.

Bowden daughter So fades the lovely blooming flower

Bowden Margaret d 1882 ag 55yrs He giveth his beloved sleep

Hitchcock Louisa C **IS GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN**

Kingscott Barbara Ann d 1862 ag 66 In the Christian's home in Glory, there remains a land of rest, There my Savior's gone before me, to fulfill my soul's request, Where is rest for the weary.

Glazier Jennison d 1869 ag 65 Rest thee loved one, rest thee calmly, Glad to go where pain is o'er, Where they say not, in the night time, I am weary any more.

Glazier Electra d 1892 ag 85y A precious one from us is gone, a voice we love is stilled.

A place is vacant in our home, which never can be filled.

God in his wisdom has recalled the boon his love had given.

And though the body slumbers here, the soul is safe in heaven.

Sheire Laura E d 1853 ag 17 The dear companion of my life has gone, I mourn but murmur not that life is done, I sadly say, Lo where this marble weeps, a wife, mother, sister, daughter sleeps. Erected by her husband.

Jones Mary wife of Northup d Jun 5, 1855 ag 63 Mother we loved her on earth may we meet her in heaven

Hitchcock Melissa consort of Orley 1846 ag 30y

Sleep, dearest sister till called God rd st the and in his glory Shall Mecnnn

Morris Cyrena d 1854 ag 54 stone on ground I loved her on earth, May I meet her in heaven.

Wright Anna 1894 **To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die.**
Pointing finger Gone Home

Day is soon past and gone the evening shade appear

O may you remember well the night of death is near

Susan Ebert d 1870 ag 71y "Jesus has called Our dear Mother home ,Her flesh lies mouldering in the tomb, God grant her offspring may be blest, and meet her in eternal rest."

Hartsig L A Marin? daughter of Louis & Catherine d 1871 In this vain world
I took a peep, then closed my eyes and fell asleep

Benson Orin 1876 He walked with God and was not For God took him.
Benson Lydia M Sep 23, 1814 Feb 4, 1892 She died as she had lived trusting
in God.

Wells Hannah L dau of John and Eliza d Jun 7, 1856 ag 1yr well loved one
Jesus calles you, we bid you cabsts chosen will lst ou we hope to meet with
you hard to read now

Oswald Amanda Keller 1894 1952 **"She lived but for others"**
Schuer Louise inscription

Below are additional ones not noted from local cemeteries.

God grant us the serenity to accept the things we cannot change, the courage
to change the things we can and the wisdom to know the difference.

Ayrton Senna from the Bible "Nothing can separate me from the love of God".

Gracie Allen and George Burns (themselves) "Together again."

Susan B. Anthony (unknown) "Liberty, Humanity, Justice, Equality"

Robert Baden-Powell (by himself) 1857– 1941 "Chief Scout of the World",
followed by the trail sign for "gone home" (a circle with a dot in the middle).

Mel Blanc (by himself) 1908 - 1989 "That's all, folks!"

"Stranger! Approach this spot with gravity! John Brown is filling his last
cavity."

George Washington Carver "He could have added fortune to fame, but caring
for neither, he found happiness and honor in being helpful to the world."

Rodney Dangerfield (himself) 1921-2004 "There goes the neighborhood."

[Wyatt Earp](#) (unknown) Nothing's So Sacred As Honor And Nothing's So Loyal As Love.

Benjamin Franklin (himself) "The Body of B. Franklin, printer
Like the Cover of an old Book, Its Contents torn out, And stripped of its
Lettering & gilding, Lies here food for worms, For, it will as he believed
appear once more, In a new and more elegant edition
Corrected and improved by the Author."

[Rene Gagnon](#) (unknown) [1925](#) - [1979](#) "For God And His Country
He Raised Our Flag In Battle And Showed A Measure Of His
Pride At A Place Called "Iwo Jima" Where Courage Never Died"

To yesterday's companionship and tomorrow's reunion"

"Here lies the body of Richard Hind,
Who was neither ingenious, sober, nor kind."

[Winifred Holtby](#) (by herself) - [1898-1935](#) "God give me work while I may live, and
life till my work is done."

[Thomas Jefferson](#) (by himself) [1743](#) - [1826](#) "Author of the Declaration of American
independence of the statute of Virginia for religious freedom and father of
the University of Virginia" Despite his being the 2nd Vice-President and 3rd
President of the USA, these are not mentioned. He had said that he wanted to
be remembered for what he gave to America, and not what America had
given to him.

"Here lies George Johnson Hanged by mistake, 1882 He was right
We was wrong But we strung him up And now he's gone"

Jeremiah Johnson (unknown) "I told you I was sick."

John Jones (by Himself) "Hold my drink, you're gonna' love this."

"I hope for nothing. I fear nothing. I am free."

Kent (by himself) "Grim death took me without any warning
I was well at night and dead at nine in the morning"

[Martin Luther King, Jr.](#)

"Free at last. Free at last. Thank God Almighty I'm Free At Last."

[Primo Levi](#) 174517 It was his number in Auschwitz.

[Abraham Lincoln](#) (by [Edwin M. Stanton](#)) Now he belongs to the ages.

[John Locke](#) (unknown)

- Stop Traveller! Near this place lieth John Locke. If you ask what kind of a man he was, he answers that he lived content with his own small fortune. Bred a scholar, he made his learning subservient only to the cause of truth. This thou will learn from his writings, which will show thee everything else concerning him, with greater truth, than the suspect praises of an epitaph.

"Here lie the ashes of Dorothy Parker 1893 1967 "Excuse My Dust".

[Dee Dee Ramone](#) "O.K. ... I gotta go now."

[William Shakespeare](#) -"Good friend, for Jesus' sake forbear To dig the dust enclosed here. Blessed be the man that spares these stones, And cursed be he that moves my bones."

"Looked up the elevator shaft to see If the car was on the way down. It was."

John Wayne (himself) 1907 - 1979

- "Tomorrow is the most important thing in life. Comes into us at midnight very clean. It's perfect when it arrives and it puts itself in our hands. It hopes we've learned something from yesterday."

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H. G. Wells (himself) - 1866-1946 "I told you so, you damned fools"

Jenny Sparks (unknown) "Bug this. I want a better world."

From Fable (game) "What you lookin' at?"

- "Blimey it's darker than I thought in here."
- "No man can hold his breath for ten minutes."
- **"You're standing on my head."**
- "Rover was a true friend and pet, but ran in thunderstorms when wet."
- "Not dead only sleeping, buried me anyway. Unlucky."
- "I finished before you in the human race."
- **"Anyone want to swap places?"**
- "Thank you for reading this grave now bug off!"
- **"Let me out!"**

From a Canadian WWI Memorial (Rudyard Kipling)

- "From little towns in a far land we came
To save our honour and a world aflame.
By little towns in a far land we sleep
And trust the world we won for you to keep."

"What you are we were and what we are you will become"

Child's grave in Miami, FL From Waller's poem "Go, Lovely Rose"

- "What small amount of time they share

Who are so wondrous sweet and fair"

From Perth, Scotland "Reader one moment stop and think,
That I am in eternity and you are on the brink."

- From Tatamagouche, Nova Scotia "Death is a debt to Nature due
Which we have paid and so must you."
- From Nanuet, New York "Remember man as you walk by,
As you are now so once was I, As I am now, so to you shall be,
Bow your head and pray for me."

"Here rests in honored glory an American soldier known but to God."

Like a worn out type, he is returned to the Founder in the hope of being
recast in a better and more perfect mold.

She always said her feet were killing her but nobody believed her.

Here lies an Atheist All dressed up And no place to go.

Here lies the body of Emily White, She signaled left, and then turned right.

I TOLD YOU I WAS SICK

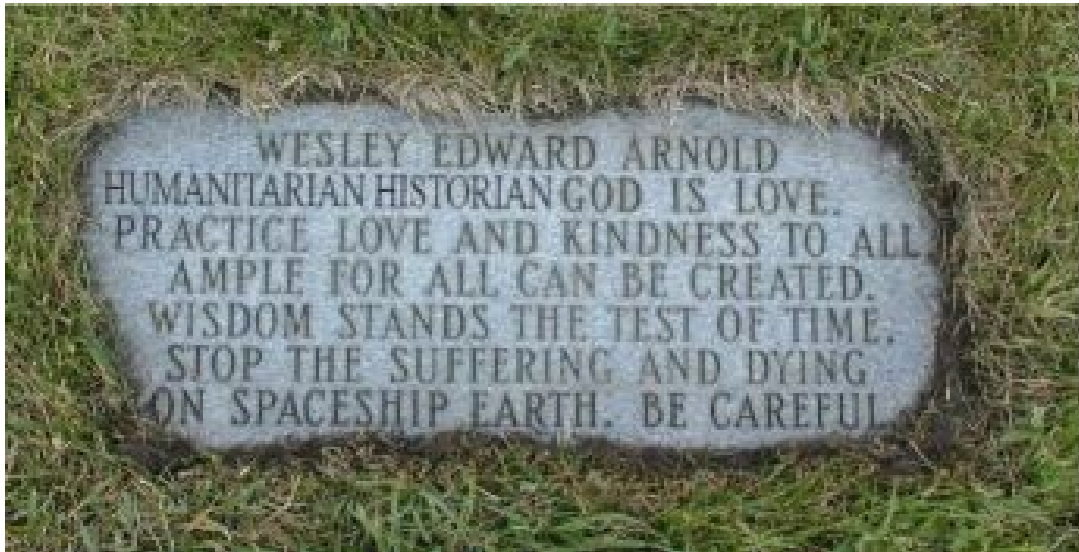
Here lies Susie Vent. Kicked up her feet and away she went.

This is the grave of Mike O'Day Who died maintaining his right of way. His
right was clear, his will was strong. But he's just as dead as if he'd been
wrong.

Scout Vesper

Softly falls the light of day, as our camp fire fades away
Silently each scout should ask, have I done my daily task?,
Have I kept my honor bright? Can I guiltless sleep tonight
have I done and have I dared, everything to Be Prepared.

Here is the late humble historians stone at Forest Lawn Cemetery



Baseline

Baseline is the area in Warren Michigan, roughly now located in the Van Dyke post office area, including an area between Eight Mile Road and Wood Street to the north and between Mound and Hoover Roads. The name was taken from Eight Mile Road also known as the State of Michigan Baseline. It was centered on Van Dyke Road. Wood Street is where Center line started.





JOE (DAD)

CAM (BROTHER) 1944

JOE



A rich history is in stock at Base Line Feed



More fotos of Baseline area will be added as people share them with me.

Boblo Boats





Many of us old timers remember the big wonderful steam powered boats such as the Bob-lo Boats. This is sadly missing in our present day. These were usually all day or all evening excursions to Bob-Lo Amusement park or other destinations. There was a band on the boat

with dancing. Food was available. One could sit in a chair and watch the scenery go by. The big deep sounding boat whistle would sound to other boats. As a kid I loved to watch the huge steam engine. It had Three huge pistons and various other moving parts. You could look way down to the belly of the boat and watch the engineer. Bells would ring to tell the engineer to change speed or reverse the engines. And no matter how cold or windy it became on deck the engine area was always warm. Up on the top deck you could see the whistle, the big smoke stack and even watch the captain do his work. On that to deck you felt like you were at the top of the world with a great view for miles. There were huge air scoops and large machinery and huge ropes and a gang plank. At the back of the boat you could look down at the water churned up by the propeller and watch the wake of the boat spread out. We looked way down on to small craft who looked up and everyone waved. Bob-Lo Island had a large amusement park, food areas and nature area. When the boats came back to pick up folks you could pick which boat to take back. They were a little different but they would sound those deep whistles which could be heard for miles to tell that they arrived. It was just a good fun filled day and very inexpensive.



They stopped running in 1991. The Island Amusement park was torn down and the land sold.

Sad state of the Bob-Lo boats for several years but they have been declared historical sites and are being restored.

To see more on these boats see <http://boblosteamers.com/> and <http://boblboat.com/>

See video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H3dUa-BIkK0>

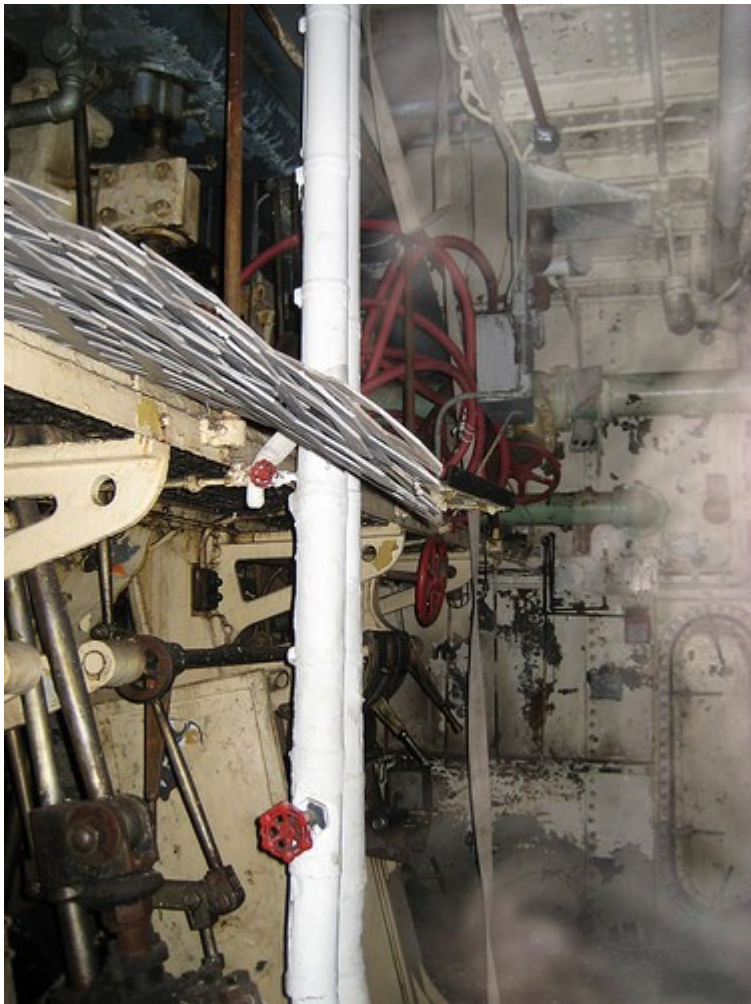
Do a Google search on Boblo Boats to see even more



As a boy the most fascinating thing about the boat was the huge steam engine, It was fun to watch the piston rods moving turning the huge propeller shaft. There were other fascinating things moving. One thing was like a narrow fork which went over the shaft. I think it was used to reverse the propeller direction. Other devices were busy moving and doing things. There were funny sounds. One could look down and see the belly of the ship and the sides from the inside.

Top of Triple expansion steam engine below. The boats Stopped running:in 1991.









"The steamer Ste. Claire represents the typical propeller-driven excursion steamer of the turn of the century, a type once found in many parts of the country. Excursion steamers are steamships built primarily for passengers for day trips. Ste. Claire and her running mate Columbia represent the "ocean-going" type of excursion vessel although they were used on lakes."

"The steamer Columbia and Ste. Claire are the last two remaining classic excursion steamers in the country; and the last essentially unaltered passenger ships designed by Frank E. Kirby; and for their essentially unaltered propulsion machinery of a type becoming increasingly rare ; as the two last vessels of the Detroit and Windsor Ferry Co.; as two of the few surviving vessels built by the Detroit Dry Dock Company, and for their unaltered propulsion machinery, which is of a rare type. Columbia is the oldest passenger steamer in the United States, excepting vessels properly classed as ferries. Columbia and her running-mate Ste. Claire are the last two steamers of their type with integrity left in the United States. The pair shared their original run from Detroit to Bob-Lo Island for 81 years, a record of service on a single run unequalled in U. S. history. " Quote from Mr Lee found on <http://bobloboat.com/history.html>

"Built in 1902, the Columbia combines a spectacular array of design, engineering, and aesthetic innovations. At 207' in length and 60' in breadth, the ship was designed to carry 3,200 passengers comfortably on her five decks. Her beautiful interiors were created in collaboration with the painter and designer Louis O. Keil. The ship is adorned with mahogany paneling, etched and leaded glass, gilded moldings, a grand staircase, and an innovative open-air ballroom. The Columbia's massive 1,200-horsepower triple-expansion reciprocating steam engine, surrounded by viewing galleries, will become an unforgettable demonstration of early steam technologies for visitors. Laid up and minimally maintained for the past 15 years, the ship has suffered an accelerating decline in her condition." Quote from <http://sscolumbia.org>

Additional info may be found at <http://boblosteamers.com/>

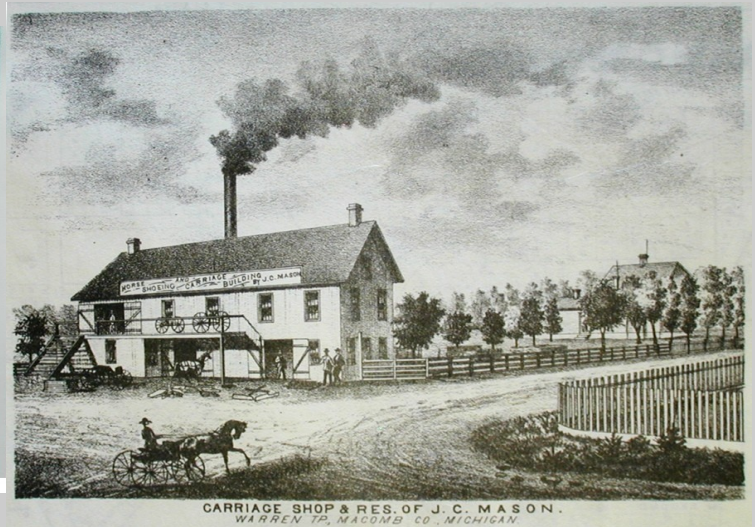
Old Businesses



Lumbering and sawmills were among the first businesses in the post stone age period.



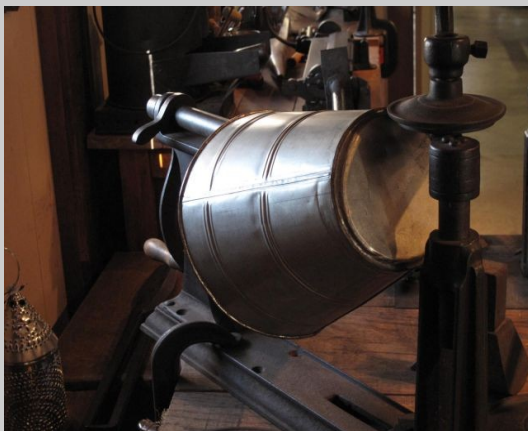
Weier Woods Sawmill Warren MI Photographer Wesley E Arnold



Wagon and carriage makers prospered. The two most famous was Mason and Lutz.



Blacksmith worked with metal to make needed items such as horse shoes.





The Tinsmith was also known as the white smith and made lighter items that were commonly needed such as above and buckets, tubs and pitchers. The cobbler was skilled in making needed items out of wood such as barrels, buckets and other containers.



Wiegand family had a store



So did Peck



There were many store keepers.



Several brick companies made bricks here in Warren township.



Before restaurants there were many Taverns, Speakeasys, Inns and dives. In the old days they were often vulgar places with dirt floors that customers spit their chewing tobacco out on. Fights were not uncommon. But some others ran clean establishments had female bartenders of strong character who did not put up with too much bull. Some even served good food. Louie's started we are told as an ice cream parlor. During prohibition many became blind pigs. Often the local sheriff deputy was a well known customer. Many folks liked to have a drink and just because some anti drinkers had got a law passed against it wasn't going to stop them. The Detroit area was known as the rum capital. The Eighteenth Amendment of the United States Constitution, established Prohibition in the United States in 1919. It was repealed by the Twenty-first Amendment in 1933. During this time the Detroit area was a hotbed of illegal activity. There were many speakeasys in Warren. Clem's Pour House was one of many that were open 24-7. You could not get in unless you were known by someone inside. "As many as 25,000 illicit saloons, or "blind pigs," operated in Detroit area and did a \$215 million business. Liquor trafficking was Michigan's second leading industry. (Lawrence E. Ziewacz 228) Warren and Center Line often had more bars than churches.



Both churches and taverns are the longest lasting “businesses” in Warren.

Above Alibi Tavern had a dirt floor with spittoons and flourished next to the local Baptist church,



Automobile repair shops did a good business also

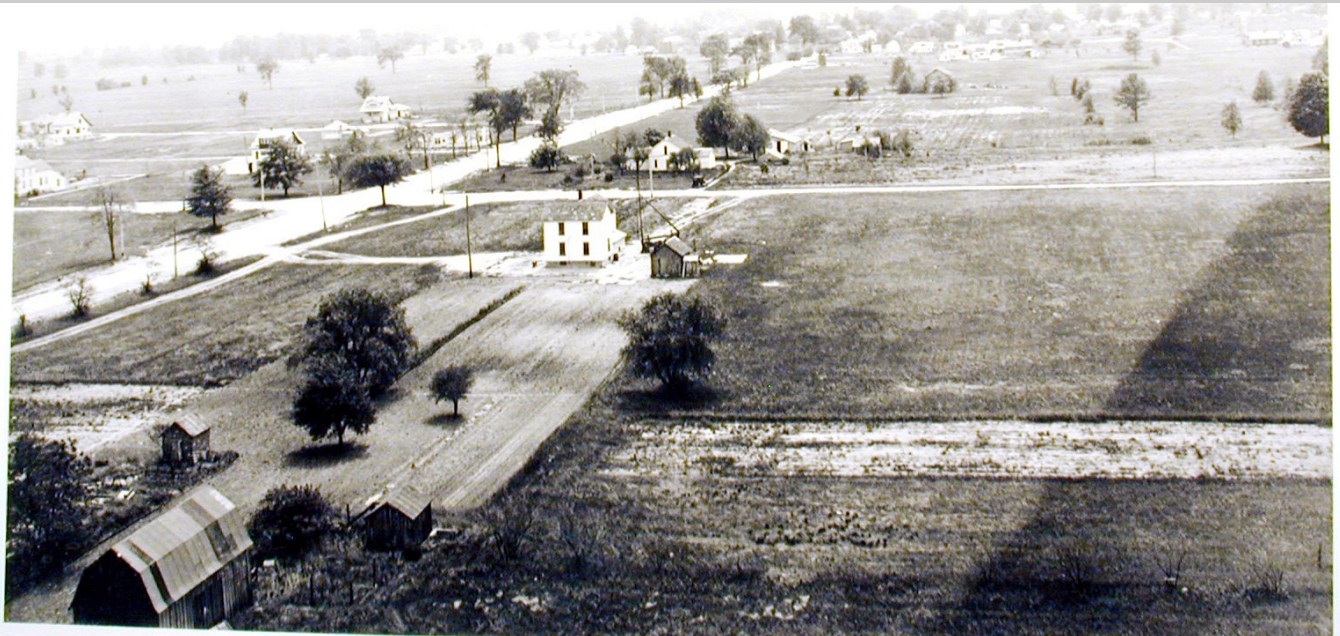
There were riding stables such as the Ryan Riding stable but for a time for an additional fee one could be ridden. Rosie's red light was down on Ryan, and a bar across from St Clement Church who had one bartender who baby-slitted his young baby while the house next to it had seven young "housekeepers." There were speakeasys or blind pigs and other recreational businesses during prohibition and at other times which the history of has been "forgotten."

Sure a lot of stuff went on in the old days as does now that will not be recorded in histories. The velvet touch down on Van Dyke supposedly gave great massages. I was a social worker for the American Red Cross and used to look down from an upstairs window at John R and Erskin. I admired the little church across the street because any time of the night or day there was a person out there in front of the church passing out church literature. They carried it even further and got in the car for a ride around the block I assumed for a sermon. Funny though they always rode in the back seat. And there was that nice motel almost next door on Woodward. I recommended it for several families to stay there when they had a sick child at the medical center close by. Once a client complained to me that the motel only charged by the hour and was too expensive.

Old Businesses 2

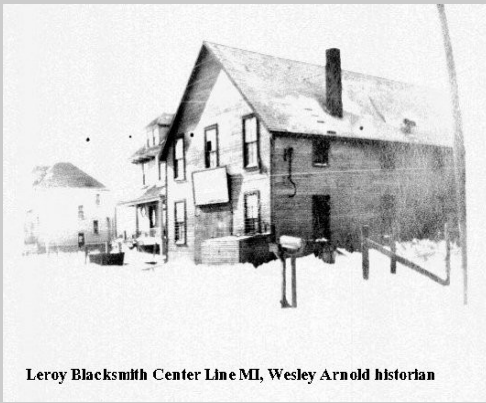


Of course the main business from 1831 thru 1940 was farming. First it was survival farming then gradually evolved in to profit farming. It also evolved into specialized farming. The last thirty years Warren had dairy farms, general farms, truck farms and specialized crop farms.



As Warren urbanized many dedicated farmers moved north to fresh ground and less crowding. Others found jobs they liked better than farming in the many industries. Some made nice profit selling off their land.

Sawmills brick makers and construction were very active businesses.



Leroy Blacksmith Center Line MI, Wesley Arnold historian

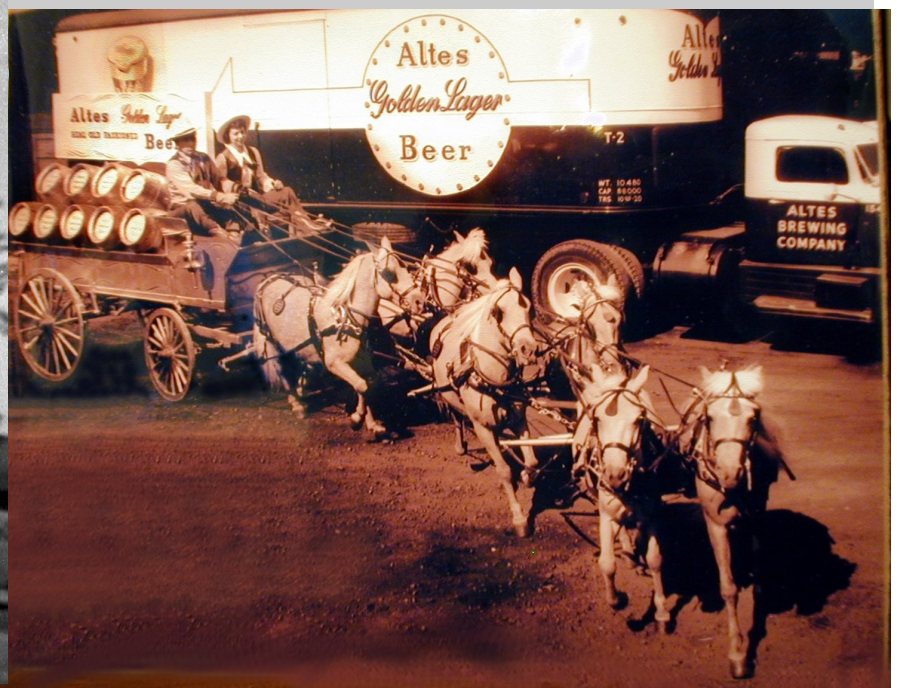
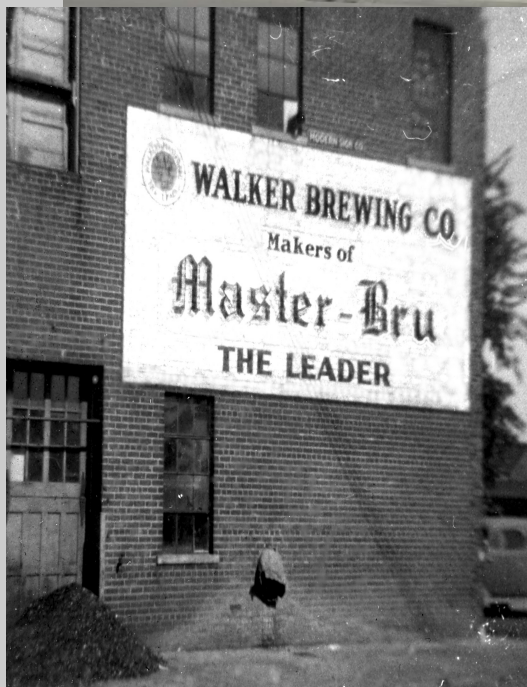


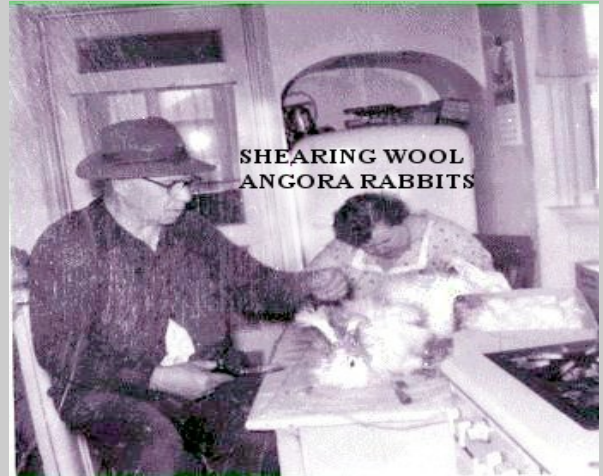
Specialized businesses evolved first carpenters, brick layers, masons, then storekeepers, taverns, breweries, butchers, dress makers, harness shops, hardware stores, shoe makers etc.





Many businesses were run out of homes. To the life in the above picture was a bar. Louie's bar below operated out of a barnlike house. Warren and Center Line had their own breweries.





Wool was sheared off then spun on a spinning wheel or drop spindle. Some pioneers may have grown flax or used wild plants for fiber. Then woven in a hand loom or knitted into fabric and then sewn into clothing or blankets. All was done at home. People could buy dyes at the general store to dye their wool into many colors. Raw wool is shown below at left. Drop Spindle at right.



Most everything was hand made at home.

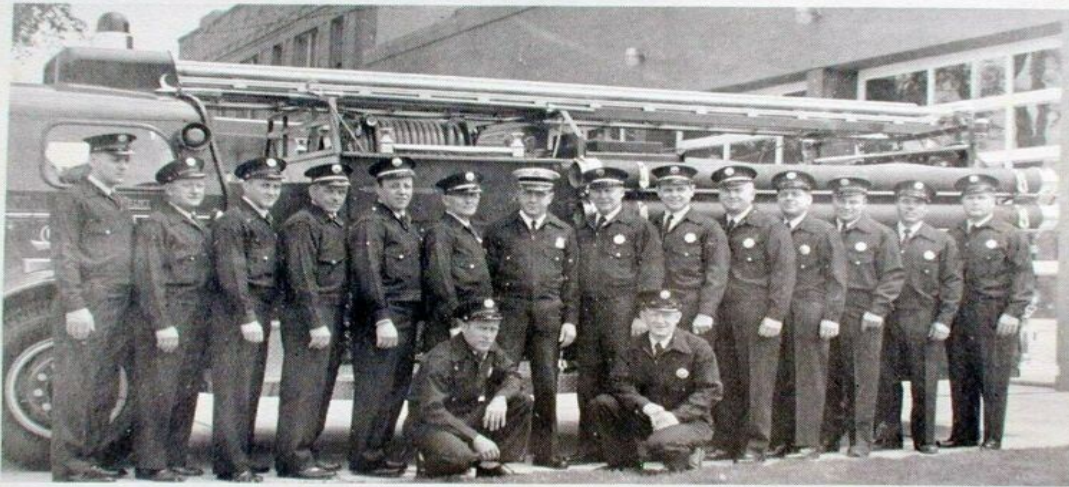


Center Line Fire Dept





Fire Department - 1961



When that screeching siren calls our fire-fighters to action, these are the men who will respond at any time of day or night. Standing in front of a most capable piece of equipment we find also capable regulars and volunteers flanking Chief Lyerla (white cap) left to right: Norman Desimone, John Radtke, James Mainero, Sgt. Richard Carney, Sgt. William Desmone, Lieut. Nelson Bruechaert, Chief Lyerla, Lieut. Ralph Reiterman, Sgt. Norman Smith, Sgt. Vincent Grobbel, Joseph O'Lear, Robert Widman, Gustino Sciotti, Guy Swanson; kneeling: Harold Helberg and Anthony Medovsky.



CENTER LINE FIRE DEPT.

City of Center Line Fire Department 1970



Chief N. Smith



Sgt. W. Desmone



Sgt. J. O'Lear



Sgt. J. Mainero



A. Meduvsky



K. Garlow



A. Kozlowski



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R. Hickson



A. Anderson

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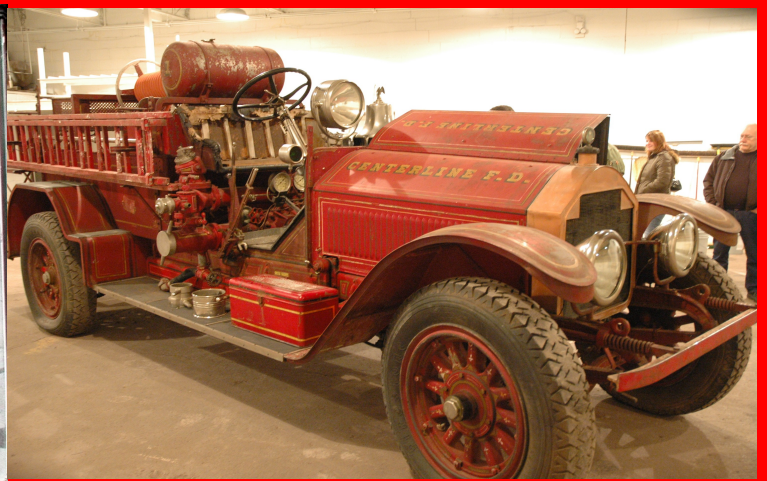
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J. Gafa
J. Mihelich
W. Clanton
M. Walters
J. Northrup



History of the Center Line Fire Dept.



First Center line Fire Truck Chief and volunteers 1926 American LaFrance

There was no fire Dept for thousands of years because there was no need for one most of the time. A Fire Dept would have come in handy a few times when wild fires burned all across the peninsula of Michigan because of dry conditions. At least twice in known history did this happen. In the Fall of 1871 there was a drought over much of the Great Lakes. Debris from logging and land clearing was tender-dry. Wells went dry, crops failed, streams shrank. On October 8 a great wildfire struck the town of Peshtigo, Wisconsin killing 1300 people and the fire spread to Michigan. It burned over 1,100,000 acres. Another fire destroyed Chicago. Additional fires across the state resulted in at least 200 deaths. Ten years later another fire struck the area between Saginaw Bay and Lake Huron which was completely devastated. The Fire burned for over a month. Over 2 million acres were burned and hundreds of families lost everything. Farmers reported that the skies were dark with smoke for several days. In the pioneer days there was a need. What if a candle or oil lamp or spark from a cooking fire caught the cabin on fire. There was no phones to call, and no roads worth the name for a long time for a firetruck to come on. So all a pioneer could do is throw water on the fire from a bucket or retrieve a few valuables before they got burned. But as the farms got smaller and a village formed the people recognized a need for a fire department. On May 21, 1926 the Center Line Fire Department was organized by order of the Village Commission. George Theut was appointed as the first Chief of the Fire Department. He had to then recruit and train volunteer fire fighters.



The village of Center Line bought a new 1926 750 Gallon Per Minute American LaFrance Pumper. The chief recruited and taught 18 volunteers. The Center Line Fire Department was the Only Fire Department in Warren Township and it was their responsibility to protect the entire 36 square mile area. Theut had no station to keep the truck so it went in his garage. In 1928 the village hall was completed complete with fire station and hose drying tower. There was a siren at the top of the tower which signaled the volunteers to come to the station to read the address written on the board and proceed to the fire. Or they could follow the fire truck if they saw it on its way. The old station was used until 1960 when new quarters were built. Center Line became a city in 1936 and it purchased a 1936 Dodge 500 GPM pumper to cover the 36 square mile area. In 1936 Assistant Fire Chief Elmer Flechsigs became Police Chief, and Fire Chief George Theut became Assistant Police Chief.

In 1939 Warren Township organized its Fire Department.

In 1943 Chief Theut resigned his position and Andrew Weigand was appointed Chief by the City Council. Andrew held this position until 1947 when he took other duties with the city.

In 1947 Nelson Bruechert was appointed chief by council.

In 1953 the city Council passes an ordinance creating the position of Public safety Commissioner. With this change the fire department went on an 8-hour shift assuring the duties of the desk for the police department.

In 1956 the City seeing the need for emergency ambulance service, purchased a 1956 Chevrolet Station Wagon to be used as an emergency ambulance and as a spare police vehicle. This station wagon was replaced in 1958 with a Cadillac ambulance fully equipped.

In 1956 the city also purchased a pickup truck to be used both as an emergency truck to carry emergency equipment, but to also double as the inspector's car. This has since been replaced by a 1962 GMC Rescue Truck.

In 1957 the old 1926 LaFrance was retired and a new 1000 GPM American LaFrance was purchased.



In 1960 the city remodeled city hall. This was completed in 1961. This gave the city a four bay fire station completely equipped with the city hall and police department all under one roof.

Spirit 54 the police and fireman's club bought the city a new resuscitator and made other contributions. At this time the city had 10 regular fireman and 10 volunteers. This means that there are at least two men on duty at all times.

Here are a few pictures from my time as a volunteer fire fighter with the Center Line Fire Department and Center Line Goodfellow. I remember being woken up in the early morning hours by the alarm sounds on the fire radio. It had three loud tones. I got so used to responding quickly that I was usually half out of bed by the third tone. Then you had to listen for directions to the fire. We had lights and sirens on our cars but only used them when needed. Two fires stand out both of which I almost died in. The first was a house fire with

City of Center Line Fire Department 1970



Chief N. Smith



Sgt. W. Desmone



Sgt. J. O'Lear



Sgt. J. Mainero



A. Meduvsky



K. Garlow



A. Kozlowski



G. Swanson



R. Hickson



A. Anderson

— VOLUNTEERS —

Lt. V. Grobbel

Sgt. F. Rossio

Sgt. P. Gagne

W. Arnold

J. Carbonneau

Sgt. N. Gregersen

J. Nawacki

T. Sullivan

A. Mowrey

L. Choike

B. Lambert

G. Schwartz

G. Verhulst

M. Labourier

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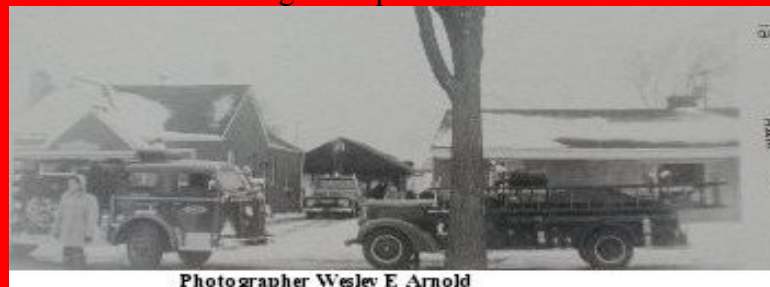
J. Mihelich

W. Clanton

M. Walters

J. Northrup

a lot of smoke. We know that kids often hide in closets and under beds in a fire because they are frightened. Part of our job is to get them out before the smoke kills them. (Most people die from the smoke not the fire) Anyway I was inside the smoke filled house when my face mask fogged up. Now if you can't see anything you are blind. So I went back outside cleared the mask and reentered. I discovered that if I had taken one more step forward when my mask was fogged up that I would have fallen thru the burning floor onto the red hot oil furnace which was causing the housefire. Another time we were on top of Joe's Bike shop fighting the Big Handy Andy Hardware store fire. It was 3 AM in the morning. The sky was filled with smoke and it was dark. The roof beams just a few feet from me were red hot and twisting. Exploding paint and solvent cans were going off like bombs. The hoses at the top of three big ladder trucks were spraying towards the fire when one of them changed angle somehow and started spraying us and pushing us into the inferno. The operators couldn't see because of the smoke and darkness. We had to drop our hoses and hang on to the shingles for dear life for a few minutes to not get swept into the flames and red hot twisting steel beams.



Photographer Wesley E. Arnold





Halloween Advice Too

Fire Chief Smith Cautions Parents on Hazards of Fire

Center Line Fire Chief Norman R. Smith advises parents to protect their children from fire by exercising caution and warning children of danger.

"ESPECIALLY AT this time of year, be sure his Halloween costume is flame-proofed and no candles, ever," Chief Smith warned, "give them a flashlight for their pumpkin."

Smith, 39, was promoted to the chief's post last month after serving as fire captain in a career which began 10 years ago.

With Smith's appointment to chief, the title of fire captain was eliminated by the City of Center Line.

"WATCH OUT for situations where a child's clothing might

catch fire," Smith continued, "that means not being allowed to play near stoves or furnaces."

"Outdoors, be extremely careful of bonfires and field fires or where someone may be burning leaves."



CHIEF SMITH 10/15/67

"For your child's sake, teach him to do the right thing if ever his clothing should catch on fire. Tell him not to run, but to lie down at once and roll over slowly to smother the flames."

"He should use a rug, blanket or coat if available," Chief Smith added.

SMITH, THE father of eight children whose ages range from three to 16 years, emphasized that parents should never leave children home alone.

"One in every five fire victims is a child under five years. Play it safe," he concluded.

Smith, his wife Mary and the family lives at 7281 Dale, Center Line. He replaces former Fire Chief Harold Lyster who resigned the post two years ago.

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PEOPLE AROUND TOWN

Civil Defense Inspired Center Line Fireman

By BILL EWALD

It is a little over five years since in 1953, Norman Smith, captain of Center Line's Fire Department, probably never would have known a fireman. As a part of a civil defense program, he joined the fire department as a volunteer. He was made a full-time fireman in 1957 with the rank of sergeant.

Recently he moved up again on the volunteer ladder, and was appointed to that position again. His wife had something to do with his coming to Center Line.



Norman Smith

Although Smith admits Center Line is one of the best equipped departments in comparison to others of about size, he said his biggest problem is a manpower shortage.

"We have two engines, a rescue truck and an ambulance, and the oldest truck is a 1937 model," Smith said. "We hope to have more in the near future and are looking for a replacement."

The trucks cost between \$20,000 and \$30,000.

"Many lived in Center Line when I was playing there based on a Macomb County 'hard ball' team," Smith said in his official biography. "I lived in Detroit and went to Detroit Central High School but went to see each other."

They married in 1953 and now have five girls and three boys. Smith, who worked at an auto parts retailer, became a full-time fireman, built their home on Dale.

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CENTER LINE FIRE SGT. WILLIAM J. DE M. MAINIERO hold some of the dolls turned into the dolls will burst into flame if placed near extended amount of time

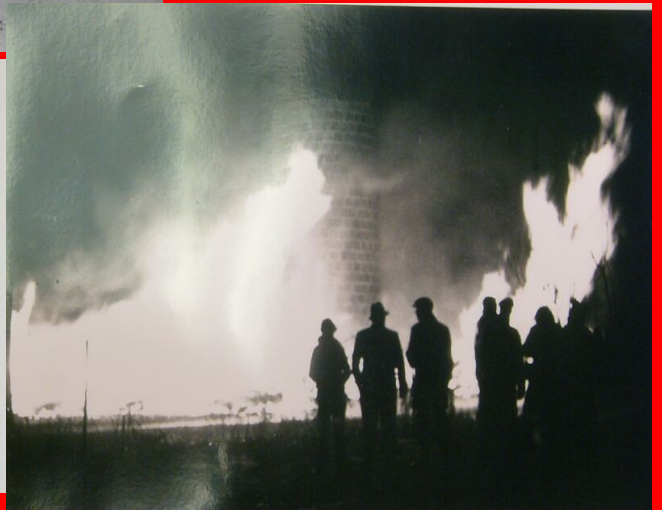
Center Line Fire Inflammable Dolls

CENTER LINE - Inflammable dolls made in Poland and England have been turned into the Center Line Fire Department.

"Parents are bringing in the dolls to know if they are inflammable."

"We have found only the Raggedy dolls are inflammable."

Firefighter Douglas Tennant



Center Line Times

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Year of founding of Churches in Warren and Center Line

Year of founding is not necessarily year of latest building built

Amazing Grace Lutheran Church 29860 Dequindre Rd, 48092 751 7750 **1998**
Antioch Baptist Church 30590 Dequindre Road, 48092 586-751-0860 **1974**
Baptist Group old Warren Township Ryan and Chicago Roads **1843** wrote Fred Gemmill.
Bethel Christian Church 3000 E 12 Mile warren 754 5525 **c1970**
Bethel Christian Church 13200 Eleven Mile 48089 (586) 754-5525 1928 in Detroit **1968** Warren
Bethel Methodist Church 8140 Konczal Center Line **1950 1958** on Konczal
Bethel Tabernacle 8742 Nine mile Warren 48089 **c1990s** now closed
Celtic Cross Presbyterian Church 11451 E 10 Mile Rd, 48089 **1924**.
Center Line Baptist Chapel **1942**
Center Line Baptist Church **1941**
Center Line Community Church 8131 Central Center Line **c1924**
Center Line Methodist 8140 Konczal Center Line 48015 **c1970s**
Center Line Presbyterian 8131 Central Center Line **c1920**
Christ Lutheran Church 32300 Schoenherr Road, 48088 586-293-0700 **1960**
Christian Fellowship Mission 8140 Konczal Center Line **1934** mission of Burns Ave Bap Church
Church of Ascension on Fisher Avenue South Warren. **1926**
Church of Christ-North Warren 14150 E 13 Mile Rd, 48088 775-8360 **1962**
Church of Christ Parkview 3333 E 13 Mile 48092 **1964**
Church of Christ-Van Dyke 5201 E 9 Mile Rd 48091 **1940**
Church of The Master 30200 Schoenherr 771 6720 **1963**
Crown of Life Lutheran 32725 Ryan 48092 586 264 2656 **2006**
Descent of Holy Ghost 31500 Ryan 48092 **1985**
Detroit Hmong Alliance Church 11488 Jackson 48089 756 1916 **1996**
East Side General Baptist Church 21038 Waltham 48089 772 6710 **1942**
Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church 11071 E 11 Mile Rd, 48093 586-759-6262 Oct **1949**.
Evangel Temple Church of God 14205 E 12 Mile Rd, 48088 **1964** and **1975**
Evangelical Lutheran 4345 E 10 Mile 48091 **c1960-2000**
Faith Baptist Church 26510 Schoenherr Rd, 48089 810-775-1760 **1934**
Faith Trinity United Church of Christ 12221 Martin Warren 48093 586 751 6444 **1964** and 2002
Faith Baptist Church 26510 Schoenherr Rd, 48089 810-775-1760 **1934**
First Baptist Church Of Warren 31707 Seventh Street, 48092 586-264-6832 **1852**
First Church of Jesus Christ 7600 Packard 48089 758 7740 **1974**
First Hmong (Laos) Baptist Church 8140 Konczal Center Line **1996**
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First Presbyterian Church 3000 E 12 Mile 48092 **1964**
First United Methodist Church 5005 Chicago Rd, 48092 **1852**
Fellowship General Baptist Church 7256 E Nine Mile Road 759 2366 about **1950**
Gideon Baptist Church 13899 Stephens Rd, 48089 586 772 3230 **1956**
Grace Bible church 13630 Common Road 48088 586-778-5032 **1953**
Greater Miller Memorial Church 4439 E 9 Mile Rd, 48091 586-757-6767 **1997**
Great Lakes Christian Church 3421 W Chicago Road **1980** Ferndale in 1950s
Harvest Time Christian Fellowship 8204 East 9 Mile 48089 758 3295 **1991**
Holy Apostolic Catholic Assyrian Church 4320 E 14 Mile 48092 825 0290 **1988**
Holy Cross Lutheran Church 30003 Ryan Rd, 48092 586-751-2550 **1960**
Hope Lutheran Church 32400 Hoover Rd, 48093 **1967**
International Assembly Of God 3949 East Nine Mile Road 48091 586-755-0500 **2005**

International Missionary Baptist Church 25100 Lorraine 48089 Philippine **2004**
 Jehovah's Witnesses 14771 10 Mile **1987**
 Jehovah's Witnesses 9 Mile **c1945** now closed
 Kingdom of God Tabernacle 4201 Toepher 48091 586 756 1816 **2004**
 Liberty Foursquare Church 3800 11 Mile 48091 586 754 2400 **1995**
 Life Application Ministries 31731 Schoenherr 48088 586 0007 **2005**
 Living Faith Church 21740 Ryan Rd, 48091 **2005**
 Lord of Harvest Christian Fellowship 21601 Schoenherr 48088 **1997**
 Maranatha Church of God 13700 Stephens 48089 **1937**
 Mt Calvary Lutheran Church 8129 Packard Ave, 48089 **1926**
 Nehemiah's Temple of Apostolic Faith 4250e 11 Mile 48091 757 1075 **2009**
 New Hope full Gospel church of Warren 4170 Chicago 48092 **1996**
 North Point Baptist 11174 13 Mile Rd **1950s-2011**
 Orthodox Descent of the Holy Ghost 31500 Ryan Rd, 48092 810-939-0140 **1916**
 Our Lady of Redemption (Melkite) 8525 Cole Street, 48093 (586) 751-6017 **1920**
 Paradox Church meets at Warren Community Center 5460 Arden 48090 586-218-3036 **2007**
 Peace Lutheran 11701 E. 12 Mile Road, 48093 586-751-8010 **1960**
 Peace Lutheran School 11701 E 12 Mile Rd, 48093 **1960**
 Power Of Faith Ministries International Church 24502 Campbell, 48089 427-4456 **1999**
 Redeemer Baptist Church Hoover Road Warren **1958**
 Revelation and Truth Church 22701 Van Dyke 571 0786 **2011**
 Roman Catholic Ascension 21050 Ascension Rd. 48089 (586) 754-4000 **1926**
 Renewal Church 11174 13 Mile Rd 48093 **2011**
 Saint Anne Catholic Church 32000 Mound Rd, 48092 (586) 268-3434 **1943**
 Saint Clement Van Dyke Center Line **1854**
 Saint Cletus 26256 Ryan Rd., 48091 (586) 755-1313 **1961**
 Saint Dorothy 12255 Frazho Rd. 48089 **1960s?-2012**
 Saint Edmund Church 14025 E 12 Mile Rd, 48093 (586) 772-2720 **1962**
 Saint George Episcopal Church 25100 Lorraine 48089 **1955-2006**
 St John 14235 11 Mile Rd **1950** now closed corner stone 1951
 Saint Josaphat (Ukrainian) 26401 St. Josaphat Drive 48091 (586) 755-1740 **1961**
 Saint Leonard's Parish 14057 E 9 Mile Rd, 48089 **1962**
 Saint Louise de Marillac 2500 Twelve Mile Rd., 48092 (586) 751-3340 **1963**
 Saint Mark 4257 Bart Ave. 48091 (586) 759-3020 **1942**
 Saint Martin de Porres 31555 Hoover since **1962**
 Saint Mary's MS Orthodox (Indian) **1979**
 Saint Mary Syrian Orthodox 13781 9 Mile 48089 778 0503 **1988**
 Saint Paul Missionary Church 21050 Ascension 48089 586 NSPC **2008**
 Saint Paul's United Church 31654 Mound Rd, 48092 **1864**
 Saint Peters G & S Evangelical 11423 Chicago Rd, 48093 **1980**
 Saint Sharbel Maronite Church 31601 Schoenherr Rd, 48088 (586) 826-9688 **1986**
 Saint Stevan Decansky Serbian Orthodox 14235 11 Mile Road 48088 586 773 1940 **c1975**
 Saint Sylvester 11200 Twelve Mile Rd. 48093 (586) 751-3636 **1959**
 Saint Teresa of Avila Catholic Church 12255 Frazho Rd. 48089 **2010?**
 Saint Thomas Orthodox Church of India 2850 Parent 48092 586 558 4555 **2005**
 Salvation Army 24140 Mound Rd., 48091 586-754-7400 c1940s 1967 **1972** Warren
 Scruffy Church 14217 9 Mile scruffychurch.org **2009**
 Trinity Lutheran Church 8150 Chapp Ave, 48089 **1925**
 Trinity Nazarine S Warren **c1950s**

Trinity Pentecostal 8150 Chapp **2009**

Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church 3500 E 12 Mile Rd, 48092 586-573-0990 **1963**

Unity Renaissance Unity 11200 E. 11 Mile Road, 48089 586-353-2300 **1938**

Unification Church 22021 Memphis Warren 48091 755 7090 **1979** and 1996

Urban Church 14217 East 9 Mile 48089 **1997**

Van Dyke Baptist Church name in 1943 but started as Van Dyke Gospel Mission in **1926**

Waltham Ave Baptist Church 21038 Waltham 48089 772 6710 **1942**

Warren Village Baptist group met in log cabin church **1850s** later at M E Church need info

Warren Baptist Church 11285 E 10 Mile Rd, 48089 Since **1967**

Warren Community Church 28100 Ryan Road 751.4659 started in Detroit as Gospel Mission **1912**

Warren Hmong (Laos) Alliance church 30301 Gloede 48088 **1996**

Warren Missionary Baptist 11285 East Ten Mile Road, 48089 313-759-3220 **1967**

Warren Seventh-day Adventist Church 12100 E. 13 Mile Road, 48093 (586) 751-0781 **1966**

Warren Woods Baptist Church 14251 E 12 Mile Rd, 48088 began in **1953**

Warren Woods Church-Nazarene 14300 E 13 Mile Rd, 48088 **1964**

West Warren Free Will Baptist Church W Chicago Road near Deq **1961**

Westview Baptist Church 2140 Stephens, 48091 586-758-2255 **1965**

Woods Church 14300 13 Mile Warren 48088 586 771 4821 **1964**

Word of Truth of God in Christ 7107 Rivard Ave 48091 754 9673 **2002**

Zion Lutheran 4345 E 10 Mile 48091 **c1960-2000** need more info

Please advice me of additions or corrections.

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so I can share it here for all to benefit from and copy. Wesley Arnold humble historian

Churches in Middle Warren North of 10 Mile, South of 12 Mile



Center Line Presbyterian Church c1920 8131 Central Center Line
Center Line Community Church c1924 8131 Central Center Line



Celtic Cross Presbyterian Church 11451 East Ten Mile Road Warren, Michigan

This was the oldest church protestant in the Center Line area.

Celtic Cross Presbyterian Church was organized as Center Line Community Church in October 1924.

On March 17, 1938 the Community Church became the Center Line Presbyterian Church.

In April 1959, the Church and Presbytery purchased the present site on East Ten Mile Road. In 1967, the name of the church was changed to Celtic Cross Presbyterian and a process of rebuilding its program, membership, and mission was begun. The congregation first worshipped in their new church home on Christmas Eve 1967.

In 1982 the church accomplished a 40 percent expansion of its building, and in 1985 added the steeple, cross, and other features. The church has continued to grow, and has welcomed members from St. Luke's Presbyterian Church of Warren and Covenant Presbyterian Church of Eastpointe.

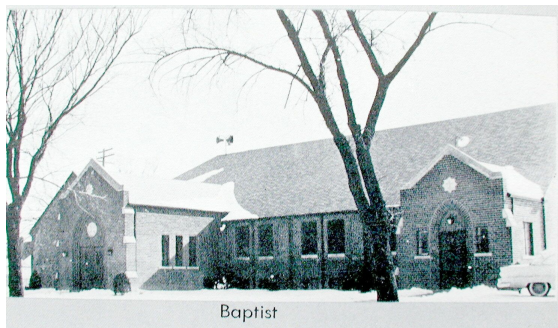
On November 14, 1999 the congregation celebrated its 75th year of service to God and the community.



Warren Baptist Church Since 1967 11285 E 10 Mile Rd, Warren, MI 48089



Church of Wildwood/Van Dyke Baptist By Ladd School 24620 Cunningham Ave holds the remains of the big Van Dyke Baptist which was so named in 1943 and located for many years in the what is now Owen Jax Recreation Center. The church actually started in 1926 as a Gospel Mission under Rev Benkin. Staley M Sorrell (died in 2010) pastored this church In 1953 it went from 125-150 members to 800-1501 in 1970.



Redeemer Baptist Church started in Center Line as Center Line Baptist Church in about 1940 built a building which the cornerstone was laid in 1942. That church grew and new property was purchased on Konczal one block South of 10 Mile road and one block East of Van Dyke. A basement was built with two entrances and covered with a temporary roof. After raising funds they built two additions to that. With leadership of Adolph Braun they bought a 6 acre site at 27300 Hoover Rd. NW of 11 Mile

Rd. They moved there in the 1959. They added an additions including a very big sanctuary in 1970.

The front of the building is 100 feet tall and inside was 1/8 of a mile and could actually seat 1000 people but usually with the regular pews only 840. This church did many good works.

In July 2005, Woodside celebrated their 50th Anniversary as a church and, in September of that same year, merged with Redeemer Baptist Church in Warren, Michigan. This merger became Woodside's first satellite campus (Woodside of Warren), and was the first of a series of similar mergers with churches in similar condition. Woodside Bible Church is a non-denominational megachurch. At that time Redeemer had a shrinking congregation after Adolph Braun retired and moved to California to start a new church.



Warren Community Church 28100 Ryan Road 751.4659

This church actually started on Dakota street in Detroit in 1912 as a Downtown Mission.

Warren Woods Baptist Church 14251 E 12 Mile Rd

Warren Woods began in 1953 in a storefront on Gratiot Avenue in Roseville, Michigan. Having purchased land and building a new building the church relocated to Groveland Avenue still in Roseville in July 1956. In those days the church was known its “unity, enthusiasm, and progressive mindedness.”

In 1964 the church moved to its present location on Twelve Mile Road in Warren, Michigan.



Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church 11071 E 11 Mile Rd, Warren, MI 4809
586-759-6262

Founded in Oct 1949. Met in Old Warren Township Hall. Moved across 11 Mile. Moved to new building in 1970. Tracy Harold Pastor



Renaissance Unity 11200 E. 11 Mile Road, Warren, MI 48089 586-353-2300
Since around c1970 Rev. Ric Beattie

The Salvation Army c1940s 24140 Mound Rd., Warren, MI 48091 586-754-7400
 The Salvation Army was located on 9 Mile Road East of Ryan for many years. They were there since at least 1972. They moved to new mound Road location about c2002 not sure



Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church 3500 E 12 Mile Rd, Warren, MI 48092
 William H. Brooks Pastor



First Presbyterian Church 3000 E. Twelve Mile Road

Bethel Christian Church 13200 Eleven Mile Road, Warren,
 c1970s MI 48089 (586) 754-5525



Faith Baptist Church 26510 Schoenherr Rd

Charles and Frances Binning invited seventeen children into their home on Sunday, May 4, 1933 for Sunday School meetings. By July, forty children were gathering each week. This little Sunday School soon had the children's parents asking for a worship service for adults. From the years 1934 through 1938 the church was organized as Gospel Center. They rented a store building and portable class rooms in East

Detroit. In 1938 moved to a building on Nine Mile Road, east of Schoenherr. 1958 Rev. Paul Murphrey new Pastor. A new church was built on a seven-acre site on Schoenherr, south of Eleven Mile Road. The first service was held Easter Sunday, 1965. Dr. David Cummins pastor 1981. In 1993 church purchased Calvary Christian School. The congregation grew beyond the limits of their facility. In 1996, a new auditorium and classroom building was completed. Dr. Marty Marriott new pastor in 1997. Began 'Faith Baptist North' in September of 2008. The church is led by Pastor Troy Budreau. Tim Berlin new Senior Pastor 2011.

St Louise Catholic Church Since 1963 2500 E 12 Mile Rd, Warren, MI 48092
 Archbishop John Dearden officially established St. Louise as a Parish in the Archdiocese of Detroit. June 19 1963. Fr. Benedict Rembelski was named founding pastor. The first Mass was celebrated at Green Acres School. The parish began with approximately 750 families.

A prototype Church building (present social building) was constructed.
 1964 04/01 Parish rectory was constructed, and finally occupied in April. Parish grew to 1000 families. In 1965 Parish grew to 1200 families In 1967 Parish grew to 1400 families. 1968 Parish grew to 1500 families. 1970 New Church building was dedicated by Cardinal John Dearden

1985 Office / Classroom addition was built onto the Social Hall building. Note the church also ran a school for years. Plans for parish clustering and mergers are revealed by the Archdiocese. St. Louise and St. Cletus will cluster at a later date due to declining enrollment.

Fellowship Bible Church 29198 Hoover Road

ST. EDMUND'S CHURCH since 1962

Fr. William McGoldrick organized the St. Edmund Parish, holding Sunday Masses first in the gymnasium of the Charwood School, just north of 11 Mile Road. As the Parish grew, priests from the Passionate Monastery in Detroit assisted him as they held three Masses on Sunday for families numbering 2,500. A new building was built and its dedicated n April 19, 1969.

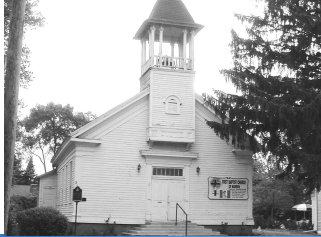
The church has had three pastors, Fr. McGoldrick (1961-1988), Msgr. Gerald Martin (1988-1991) and Fr. Robert Witkowski (1991 to the present). Now serves 2,300 families

Center Line Church of Christ 24502 Campbell

The Power Of Faith Ministries International Church 24502 Campbell 56 427-4456

St. Stevan Decanski Serbian Orthodox Church 14235 E 11 Mile Rd

Churches in Northern Warren



First Baptist Church of Warren 7th street

First United Methodist Church
5005 Chicago Rd, Warren, MI 48092



Grace Bible church 13630 Common Road
Warren, Michigan, 48088 586-778-5032



Peace Lutheran since 1960 11701 E. 12 Mile Road 586-751-8010
Warren's Peace Lutheran Church & School is a private school. It is coed and Lutheran Church (Missouri Synod) affiliated, serving 99 students in grades PK-8.



Seventh-day Adventist Church 12100 E. 13 Mile Road, Warren,
MI 48093 (586) 751-0781

St Edmund Church since 1962 14025 E 12 Mile Rd, Warren, MI 48088

Warren Woods Church-Nazarene 14300 E 13 Mile Rd, Warren, MI 48088

St. Martin de Porres since 1962 31555 Hoover, Warren, MI 48093 (586) 264-7515



Church of Christ-North Warren 14150 E 13 Mile Rd

Holy Cross Lutheran Church 30003 Ryan Rd, Warren, MI 48092



Hope Lutheran since 1967 32400 Hoover Road, Warren

Amazing Grace Lutheran Church Since 1998 29860 Dequindre Rd, Warren, MI 48092



St Peters G & S Evangelical since 1980 11423 Chicago Rd, Warren, MI 48093

Antioch Baptist Church 30590 Dequindre Road, Warren, MI 48092 586-751-0860

Church of The master 30200 Schoenherr Rd

In 1962 the National Council of Churches convinced members of the Dutch Reformed Church that Warren merited formation of a new church and sent Rev. Lawrence Veenstra to conduct a door-by-door review and to propose organizing a congregation. In 1963 Rev. Veenstra held the first service in the Ridgewood School on Easter Sunday with 39 persons attending. As the church attendance grew, services were moved from the school to a new church.



Descent of the Holy Ghost 31500 Ryan Rd, Warren, MI 48092

St Sharbel Maronite Church 31601 Schoenherr Rd, Warren, MI 48088

Country Store Buechels store in Center Line



Courtesy Gas Station

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The Nellis Newspaper

Martin Moore Operates Courtesy Gas Station



Martin G. Moore, proprietor of Courtesy Service Station, Warren, pictures that village as being in the path of progress, close to Detroit and Mound Superhighway, eight minutes from the heart of the greatest automobile manufacturing center in the world. The hegira of Detroiters to Warren will assume large proportions as soon as Mound is opened up, he predicts.

Increased community spirit, more business places and home-building activities were listed by Mr. Moore as ingredients necessary to village progress.

Handle Tires

Mr. Moore was born in Sterling township on Jan. 31, 1892 and attended the Sterling district schools. He worked as salesman for Warren Service Garage company and as yard superintendent for Mellon-Wright Lumber Company, of Royal Oak, before opening the filling station business in Warren on Oct. 3, 1927 with J. B. Moore

batteries and accessories, as well as gas and oil.

Fishing is "Mart's" hobby, hunting his favorite sport. During the war, he worked on Howitzer guns and Enfield rifles in Dodge Brothers factory.

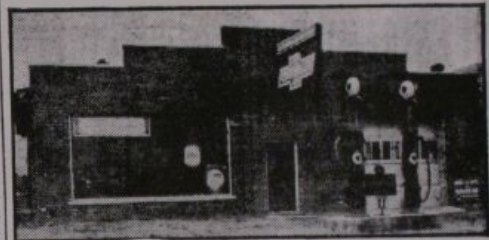
He married Miss Olive Hartsig on Feb. 21, 1914. They have four children, Evelyn Jeanette, 13, Marvin G., 11, Elaine K., 8, Carol J., 2 years old.

23 ENTERPRISES COMPOSE WARREN BUSINESS SECTION

Includes Four Garages And Two Service Stations

There are 23 business enterprises in Warren, four of which are garages and two gas and oil stations. The establishments and their owners follow: garages: Warren Service Garage, Eckstein-Lakie company, Gerlach Garage and the Warren Chevrolet Sales; bank, the Warren State Savings; barber shop, Fred Gibbs; A. V. Church Lumber company; Warren Sweet Shop; two contractors, Fred A. Warlow and Chris Foss; Paul Gager, M. D.; Church Radio and Electric company; Courtesy Service Station; Martin Moore's Gas Station; Halmich's General Store; Diehl's Cash Grocery; John Malburg's Hardware; Lutz Hardware; Joseph Langell, painter; Ark W. Moss, plumber; H. L. Claeys and company, plumbing and heating; Henry Walters Shoe Store and the Warren Cooperative company.

Schmidt Is Proprietor of Chevrolet Motor Sales



Business Was Opened In April, 1927; Covers Macomb County

Edward E. Schmidt, proprietor of Warren Chevrolet Sales company, came to Warren as a resident in 1922 because he considered the village a nice place in which to live.

He was born in Clinton township Oct. 1, 1894 and studied in Clinton district school and Mt. Clemens and Detroit public schools before starting in a garage in Detroit at the Grand Boulevard and Gratiot avenue.

After working in several auto-

mobile factories and with Eckstein-Lakie company, Ford agents, he opened his present business in Warren in April, 1927.

Handles Accessories

In addition to Chevrolet motor cars, the company handles auto accessories and Goodyear, Firestone and Goodrich tires. Its sales and service covers Macomb county with regular garage equipment and a new service cart wrecker. Two persons are employed besides the owner and proprietor.

During the World War, Mr. Schmidt was employed in Detroit automobile factories and as mun-

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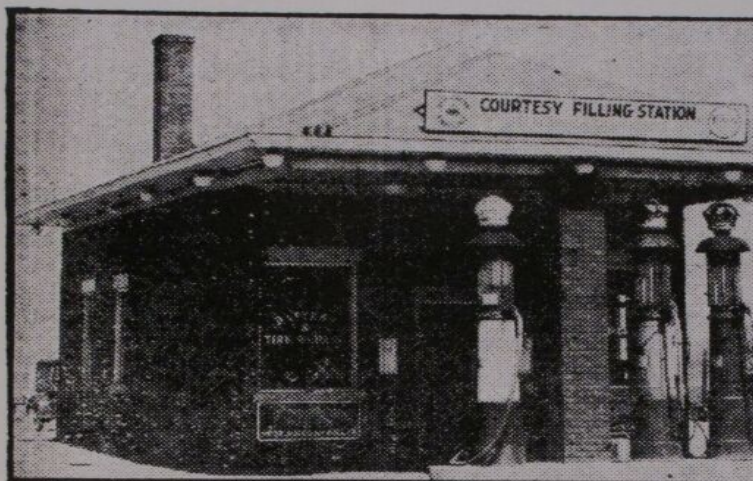
The Eckstein-Lakie company, agents for Ford motor cars, Lincoln automobiles and Fordson

tractors in Warren, Oakland and

The year after his first election as president of Warren, Mr. Eckstein became an agent for Ford motor cars. Prior to that time he had been in the lumbering business with a portable mill, had served a two-year term as sheriff of Macomb county, and had run



Martin Moore Operates Courtesy Gas Station



Martin G. Moore, proprietor of Courtesy Service Station, Warren, pictures that village as being in the path of progress, close to Detroit and Mound Superhighway, eight minutes from the heart of the greatest automobile manufacturing center in the world. The hegira of Detroiters to Warren will assume large proportions as soon as Mound is opened up, he predicts.

Increased community spirit, more business places and home-building activities were listed by Mr. Moore as ingredients necessary to village progress.

Handle Tires

Mr. Moore was born in Sterling township on Jan. 31, 1892 and attended the Sterling district schools. He worked as salesman for Warren Service Garage company and as yard superintendent for Mellon-Wright Lumber Company, of Royal Oak, before opening the filling station business in Warren on Oct. 3, 1927 with J. B. Moore as his partner.

"Mart and Jerry" handle Goodyear and Firestone tires, Veste

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batteries and accessories, as well as gas and oil.

Fishing is "Mart's" hobby, hunting his favorite sport. During the war, he worked on Howitzer guns and Enfield rifles in Dodge Brothers factory.

He married Miss Olive Hartsig on Feb. 21, 1914. They have four children, Evelyn Jeanette, 13, Marvin G., 11, Elaine K., 8, Carol J., 2 years old.

23 ENTERPRISES COMPOSE WARREN BUSINESS SECTION

Includes Four Garages And Two Service Stations

There are 23 business enterprises in Warren, four of which are garages and two gas and oil stations. The establishments and their owners follow: garages: Warren Service Garage, Eckstein-Lakie company, Gerlach Garage and the Warren Chevrolet Sales; bank, the Warren State Savings; barber shop, Fred Gibbs; A. V. Church Lumber company; Warren Sweet Shop; two contractors, Fred A. Warblow and Chris Foss; Paul Gagery, M. D.; Church Radio and Electric company; Courtesy Service Station; Martin Moore's Gas Station; Halmich's General Store; Diehl's Cash Grocery; John Malburg's Hardware; Lutz Hardware; Joseph Langell, painter; Ark W. Moss, plumber; H. L. Claeys and company, plumbing and heating; Henry Walters Shoe Store and the Warren Cooperative company.

Eckstein-Lakie Company Has Ford Motor Products

Eckstein Is President Of Company; Has Branch In Royal Oak

The Eckstein-Lakie company, agents for Ford motor cars, Lincoln automobiles and Fordson tractors in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties since 1910, is capitalized at \$40,000.

Its officers are George P. Eckstein, president; Norman D. Eckstein, vice-president; and William O. Lakie, secretary-treasurer.

ty who has been one of the most active leaders in the metamorphosis of the district north of Detroit from farm land into suburban residential territory is George P. Eckstein, president of the Eckstein-Lakie Company, of Warren, who for 16 years, from 1909 to 1927, served as president



Above from Pageant of Progress



Courtesy Gas Station — 1968

Crops

The main occupation of the population in Michigan in the 1800s and early 1900s was agriculture.

The main crops in Michigan were: Wheat, Corn, Clover, potatoes, apples, beans, cherries, pears, sugar beets, grapes, peaches, dry beans, celery, oats, rye, plums, blackberries, and hay .

The Michigan Historical Museum's website states "Michigan farmers began growing beets for sugar in the late 1890s. The first sugar beet factory opened in southern Michigan in 1898. Farmers needed additional laborers. During the 1910s and 20s, Eastern European immigrants were hired to cultivate and harvest sugar beet and potato fields. In the 1920s, as these immigrants found jobs in the auto plants and elsewhere, Mexican and Texan seasonal workers began coming to Michigan to harvest sugar beets and other crops." "Soybeans, not widely grown before 1920 except as feed for livestock, received a boost from Henry Ford in the 1930s. His "Henry Ford and Son Laboratories" developed uses for soybean oil in auto lubricants and paints and for soybean meal to make a sort of plastic for auto parts such as gearshift knobs. In fact, Ford made a whole car out of his soybean formula—but he never found a market for it." see

<http://www.hal.state.mi.us/mhc/museum/explore/museums/hismus/1900-75/erlyagri/crops.html>

On the same website above is another piece of history. "Michigan Agricultural College (MAC, now Michigan State University) professors laid the foundation for scientific advancements in Michigan agriculture. Researchers experimented with various crops, tested orchard fungicides and insecticides, evaluated seeds and fertilizers and raised livestock on different feeds to learn the most cost-effective way to produce the best meat, crops and dairy products."

"Roadside Marketing in Michigan, Agricultural Experiment Station Bulletin 185, month 199##MAC Agriculture Agents became the link between the college's research and farmers. They introduced new farming practices and scientific advances to farmers through extension bulletins and workshops. They organized home extension groups for farm wives and 4-H clubs for farm children. They provided information on soil, crop research, farm markets and ways to obtain credit."

"Frank A. Spragg of MAC fostered the organization that became the Michigan Crop Improvement Association in 1917. The association improved the quality and reputation of Michigan certified seed by inspecting and approving members' fields. Spragg made Michigan the leading producer of navy beans when he introduced the "Robust" variety in 1915. He also developed Rosen Rye and Red Rock wheat, two varieties that improved the production of these grains in Michigan. Spragg's Hardigan alfalfa, introduced in 1920, eased the way for Michigan farmers to turn from growing grain to dairy farming."

Read why there were 49,000 silos built in Michigan in 1919-1920. Read what the Silo did for the farmer and why barn design was changed.. Go to

<http://www.hal.state.mi.us/mhc/museum/explore/museums/hismus/1900-75/erlyagri/barnsilo.html>

Macomb County had a population of 31,627 in 1881 with 296,055 acres of accessed land

Michigan also produced 88 million in agricultural products, 60 Million in Timber, 2 million in salt, 1 million in fish and 8 million in copper (up north).

Every farm had its garden with numerous vegetables and most had an orchard with apples, pears, peaches, plums etc. Of course most farms had a raspberry patch perhaps the most tastee of all.

In the late 1800s and early 1900s the raising of cattle for meat and dairy farms were a big item.

Growers sometimes use minimum till or no-till methods to prevent excessive soil drying. This means that the ground is not ploughed every year.





Oats

Daily Activity

For most of the time that mankind has been in this area the primary activity was survival. After 1850 when the land had been cleared of stumps and rocks and the roots broken up, the ground plowed and the major work of building fences, barns and planting orchards had been done then our residents actually sometimes had some free time. All food still had to be gathered, hunted, grown or caught. Almost all things used on the farm had to be made there. There were no local stores from which to buy food not money to buy things in the early pioneer days. Here are just a few of the seemingly endless tasks that had to be done to maintain a farm: First priority of daily activity was to ensure the protection and survival of the family and livestock. This was done by maintaining the cabin, barns, fences and one's firearms. Securing food to eat and preparing it was a daily priority as there was no refrigeration. There were no stoves or microwaves or running water. It was like primitive camping now but without the modern camp stove, tools, gear and plastic items. Just out in the woods with nothing. Everything had to be made by using your ax and knife.

Building a temporary shelter then a cabin and barns and improving them. Roofs had to be maintained or suffer the wet consequences. Digging a well, lining the well, covering the well were big jobs. Making split rail fencing to keep the livestock from wandering took a lot of time. The most time consuming jobs were clearing ground, grubbing, ploughing, harrowing (breaking the clumps up), planting. Then in a short while there was endless weeding in the fields and gardens. Digging drainage ditches and road ditches. Fixing tools, making tools, making beds, furniture, building: wagons, buggies, sleighs, sleds, an ice house, a root house, a smoke house. Keeping an eye out for varmint that were a threat such as wolves, foxes, cougars, bears, crows, birds, rabbits, insects, worms, sometimes savages or thieves. For these the rifles were always kept on the ready. Many early unsuspecting settlers were killed while they were engaged in working by Indians and thieves. Sadly it was easy to sneak up on a working farmer and shoot him from behind. Pioneer women and children were usually killed with knives. Hundreds of early settlers were killed in this way. After rule of law was established in the Warren area by 1820 most of this had ended.

If there was livestock they had to be looked after meaning being fed, cleaned, milked and cared for. Food for them had to be grown, bought, found and sometimes prepared. Not all animals could graze all of the time especially in winter. Harnesses had to be made and maintained. The woman usually had to care for young children, prepare meals, wash clothes using a wash tub and wash rack, build fires and maintain them. Because there was no electricity fires were used for lighting, heating, cooking, baking, drying and scaring away varmint and insects. There were sometimes hoards of insects especially mosquitoes. Fires demanded wood that had to be cut down to small sized and in case of starting fires very small size. Usually the fire was kept going 24 hours a day because if it went out making a fire without matches was not an easy task. Women had to make and mend clothes and bedding by hand, and preserve foods by drying, salting, and canning. Preparing dinner meant that one had to kill the animal, remove the head and entrails, defeather it, skin it, cut it up all this before cooking it. All done without a kitchen sink or running water. How many folks today even know how to prepare a freshly killed chicken, deer, possum, racoon, or muskrat for dinner. And remember there was no electricity or appliances. There was so much work to be done that children were often prevented from going to school in order to help with the work. We called them chores. Everyone except babies had tasks to do. There were no throw away diapers, kleenex tissues, napkins, pads, or toilet paper and no plastic or throw away items. Water was drawn from a well using a bucket. Later hand pumps were installed. Cisterns were built and rain water from roofs was piped to the cistern giving another source of good free water. Water from ponds was sometimes available but we have since learned to boil all water before drinking for safety. Many old cemeteries such as Warren Union Cemetery have many buried there who died from bad water or spoiled food related conditions such as "Summer Complaint." Even today some folks have died because they drank some living little microscopic ameba.

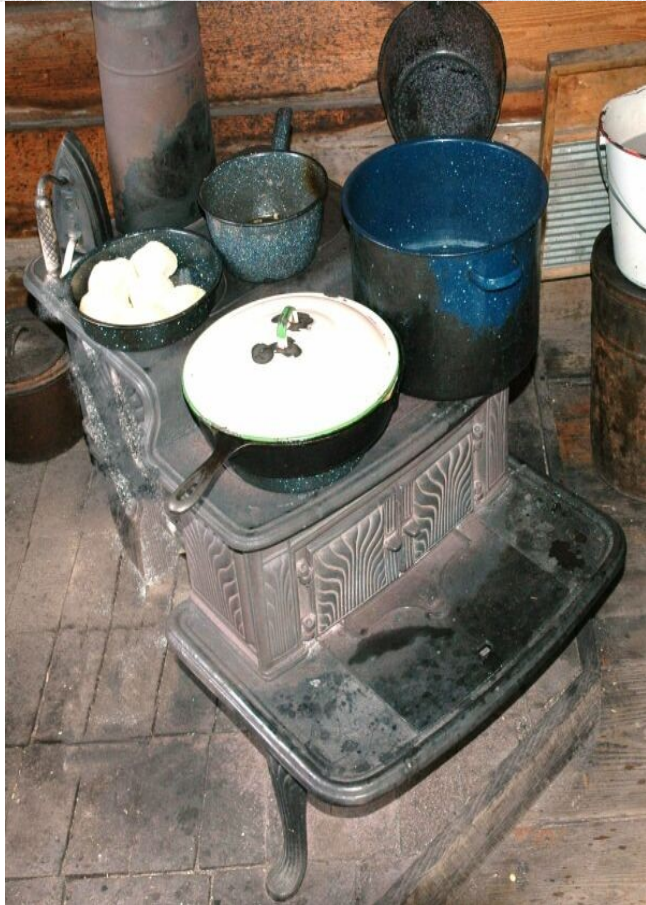
See Diary of an American Farmer in Michigan It shows: how life was in the late 1800s, what was done each day, where they went, what the family did, the weather conditions in Michigan. Tells actual daily happenings, births and deaths that in some cases were not recorded by the government. It is a treasure of daily information of that era.

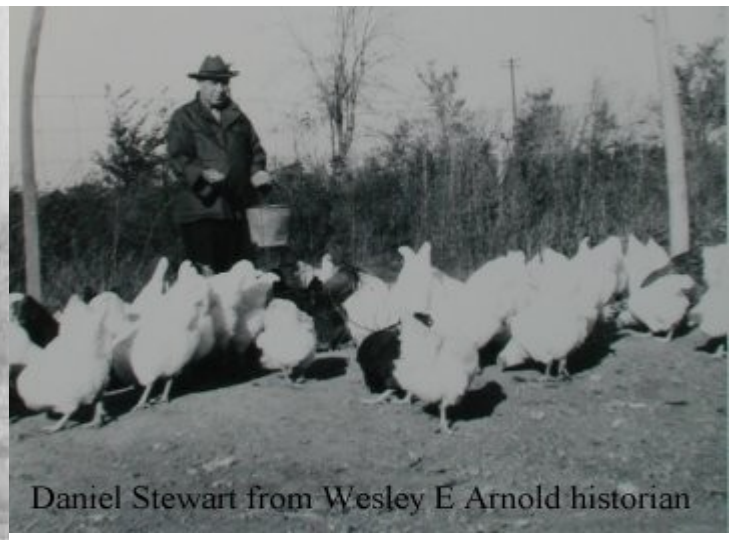




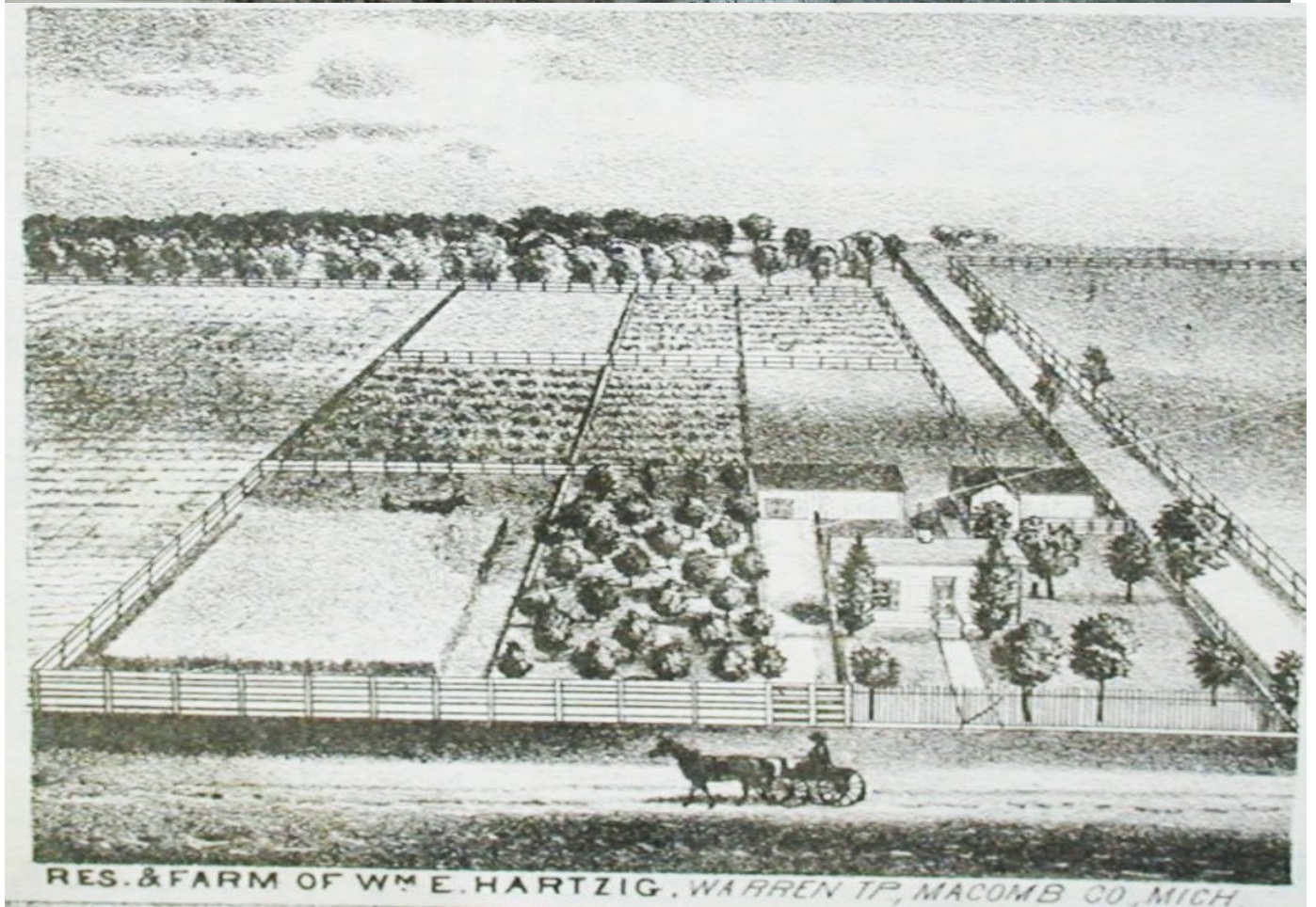
Hauling wood in winter from the collection of Wesley E Arnold historian







Daniel Stewart from Wesley E Arnold historian



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Soviet Spacemen Head Home

HOUSTON — (AP) — The Soyuz cosmonauts, their separation ever widening from the men of Apollo, began packing Sunday for a return from space and a touchdown in their homeland early Monday.

Soviet spacemen Alexei Leonov and Valeri Kubasov test-fired the powerful Soyuz rocket engines that will slow their fleeting craft and send it streaking through the earth's atmosphere to a landing at 6:51 a.m. (Detroit time) Monday in south-central Russia.

"The rocket firing went very smoothly," Leonov said at Sunday's dress rehearsal for re-entry.

American astronaut Thomas P. Stafford, Vance D. Brand and Donald K. (Deke) Slayton, their Apollo spacecraft dropping 35 miles farther behind the Soyuz every 90 minutes, concentrated on a long series of experiments and earth photography.

THE FIVE SPACEMEN orbited earth on the sixth anniversary of America's victory in the race to the moon. Apollo 11 moon lander Eagle touched down on the lunar surface on July 20, 1969.

The Soyuz and Apollo craft separated Saturday, ending two days of high-flying detente. The American craft later performed small rocket firings and zipped into an orbit

higher than the Soyuz. This caused the Apollo to slowly drop behind the Russian craft.

The once-united spaceships will be hundreds of miles apart when Soyuz starts its fiery dive toward earth.

Leonov and Kubasov will strap themselves into the descent module of their Soyuz and separate the bell-shaped craft from its orbital and equipment modules.

The re-entry module will glow red from the heat of friction as it streaks across the sky over the Atlantic. A single parachute will deploy high over Russia, slowing the torrid descent. At eight feet above the

ground, other rocket engines will fire, cushioning the craft to a landing in a flat, featureless plain not far from where it was launched last Monday.

Stafford, Slayton and Brand concentrated on the earth below the stars above during their Sunday in orbit.

"Today seems more like a normal work-

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The three major networks expect live television of the Soyuz landing Monday morning.

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Mailmen Are Told to Work

**Reds Kill
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Farm Views



The Halmich Farm on the northeast corner of Twelve Mile and Mound, present site of General Motors Technical Center.

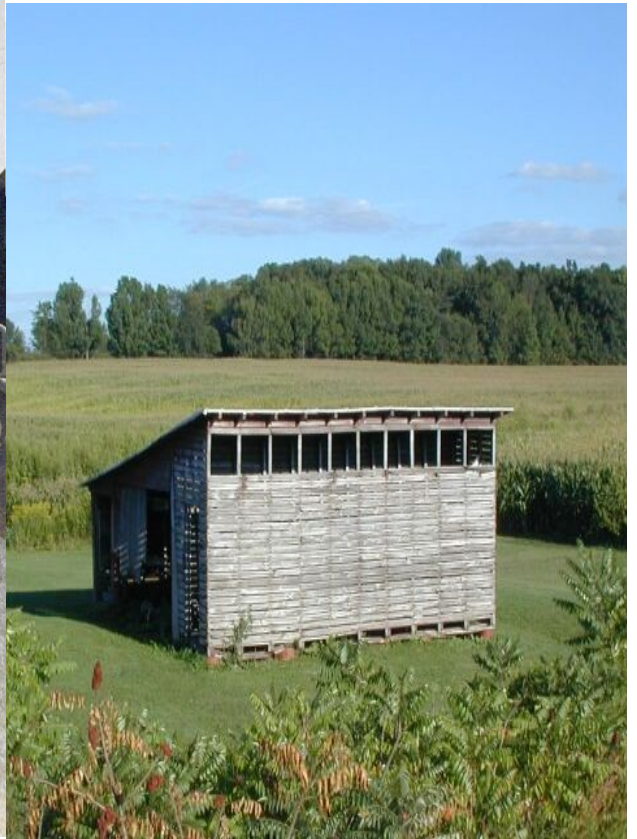
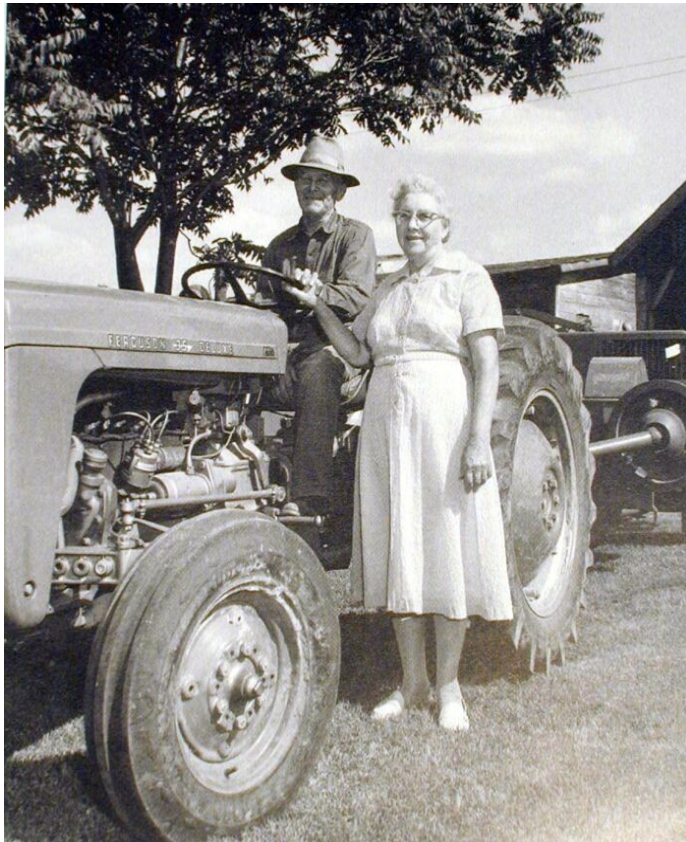




Dorothy Cummings demonstrating her dad's flailer









Fiddlers

Old time Music



Music was part of life even in agricultural times. People enjoyed playing and hearing music at get-togethers. Young people met and socialized at young people affairs which were often called sugar socials or hops. Sometimes there were dances. Square dancing was the most common type of dance. Daniel Stewart's diary tells about a local farmers band that visited farms. One can see them pulling up by wagon load then playing a few tunes then probably being served refreshments.

Instruments used

The most common instrument found in reading about old time music events was the fiddle. Percussion instruments like something to beat on such as spoons, pots, wood blocks were used. Some folks played saws. After 1890 Sears offered many basic instruments in its catalog such as mandolins and pedal organs.

More will be added here

WARREN FIRST METHODIST CHURCH



In the early days of settlement there were often some strange accommodations made for the sake of necessity, for example, in 1843, a log schoolhouse built at the corner of Chicago Road and

Ryan served the congregations of two churches at once. Alternating weekly services were the Methodists and Baptists of the Village area. They sat on split log benches placed along the outside walls as pews, which could not have been called comfortable even in those days.

Out of this schoolhouse, the Methodist Church of Warren built its foundation of a long tradition of worship and service. As time passed, in 1852, the congregation erected a log chapel just east of the Union Cemetery on Chicago Road, which in turn was supplanted in 1857 by a frame building built on the same site.

Its final move took place in 1884 when it was moved from the cemetery location to its present spot on Seventh Street just west of Mound Road, where it enjoyed a steady growth in membership in the following years and was led by a number of pastors.

The congregation celebrated its last service at this site on April 6, 1958 before moving to its new church on Chicago Road. This historic structure was sold in 1958 to the First Baptist Church of Warren and still stands on Seventh Street.

The new church of the First Methodist congregation was designed by Minoru Yamasaki and is located on Chicago Road between Mound and Ryan Roads.

Among the men attending the next meeting was Norman Halmich, who graciously donated five acres of land on Mound at Arden Avenue (later adding another adjacent five acres), which now comprise the present parish property.

The first church was the Village Barn, purchased for \$14,000.00 with the first Mass held in the remodeled barn on Easter Sunday of April 1946. By this time, some 225 families were involved and the parish eventually comprised some twenty square miles from 12 – 16 Mile, from Dequindre to Schoenherr. Ground for the new church was broken on April 5, 1964 and a 20-year dream became a reality. By Fred Gemmill

First WHS Student

From Nov 1967 Warren Observer

Good history here. Also see girls organizing Rifle team. In those days most people acted with responsibility unlike today.

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pressed their feelings about cadet teaching.

Ramona Shiba: "I certainly learned to appreciate my teachers."

Mary Cooney: "It sh wed me that you, as a teacher, must have a complete knowledge of the subject being taught and present a reason or challenge for the students to want to learn."

Pat Makowshi: "ow I know what goes on behind the scenes and how much is really ex- pected of a person who is a teacher."

Mrs. Beer gave her opinion of the value of the course say- ing: "I think it's terrifically valuable. It gives the students a chance to see teaching from the inside."

Qualifications for becoming a cadet teacher are that the participant be an active mem- ber of the Future Teachers As- sociation (FTA), possess a high scholastic average, and the per- sonal traits necessary for suc- cessful teaching.

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Students Attend Writers 'Parlez'

Two members of Creative Writing Club, Joel Javis and Janet Rimmel, and the club's sponsoro Miss Alice Cody, at- tended the sixth annual Writer's Convention at Oak- land University on October 14.

The convention was spon- sored by the Detroit Women Writers and Division of Con- tinuing Education. For the sixth consecutive year the Con- ference served as a meeting place where beginning and es- tablished writers exchanged ideas.

The day started at 9:30. The 400 to some 500 persons at- tending were able to make four choices of topics, being presented by 44 authors. These included poetry, short stories, articles, novels, drama, chil- dren's books and editors. The conference ended at 4:30.

A \$10 fee for the day's ac- tivities paid for registration, tuition and lunch. The Creative Writing Club paid \$7 of the fee for the club's members that attended.

New Addition To Appear In Observer

Several suggestions were raised concerning new ideas for features at the recent Press Convention at the University of Detroit attended by Ob- server staffers. One has been selected for trial use in the "Observer."

The new method will be an attempt to get more students involved with the paper rather than a few contributors.

The column will resemble the "Zipcode" portion in the

First Student Recalls WHS Infancy

By Beekie Hardie
Feature Editor

Did you know that at one time the 11th grade class at Warren High School had only four students? Discussion with Mr. Elmer Shuster, owner of the Shuster Service on the corner of Mound and Chi- cago, revealed many interest- ing facts about the first years at Warren.

Mr. Shuster began 9th grade in a little room over the Vil- lage Upholstery Shop on the corner of Mound and Chicago in 1926. After January 1, he was transferred to Murthum which was used at that time as Warren High. Like many high school boys he was in- terested in sports in general and baseball in particular. He played catcher for the school team. In the way of academic undertakings along with the required subjects, Mr. Shuster remembers taking Latin and geometry as a part of his high school curriculum.

The strange part about Mr. Shuster's high school years was that in the 11th grade there were only four students in the entire junior class. To solve the problem, they were dis- tributed to different schools. Mr. Shuster was placed at Center Line, where he graduated in 1930. When asked what he enjoyed most about school, he paused a moment, then replied with a laugh: "Sports."

After graduation he worked in the Warren Creamery and Chevrolet Gear and Axle be- fore beginning his own busi- ness at his present location which he has managed for 32 years.

Mr. Shuster has lived most of his life if not all of it in Warren and has watched the changes since he went to War- ren High except that Mound was not paved at the time and most of the surrounding land was farm land.

Mr. Shuster has also had the opportunity to observe the changes in the current teen- agers and those of 30 years ago. Without hesitation he said, "They're smarter."

New Product To Aid Hunters

Conservation and Sports- man's Club (CASC) and the Distributive Education Club of America (DECA) are joining forces in a cooperative effort to gain experience and make money at the same time.

They plan to take a product that has been available only through the mail-order market and distribute it to local re- tailers such as Sears, Federals, Montgomery Wards, J. L. Hud- sons and Gella.

The product is called "Buck Shot," an aerosol spray can containing the essence of 20 bushels of apples. The purpose of this product is to cover hu- man odors and those of cigars and cigarettes, and lure deer to the hunter. Although "Buck Shot" was only available through the mail previously, the efforts of Mr. Ronald De- Clark and Mr. Dominic La- Rosa, Mr. Don Babcock, a rep- resentative of the A. F. Murch company in Paw Paw, Michi- gan, CASC and DECA have ob- tained the exclusive right to market the product in Michi- gan.

Mr. LaRosa and his DECA co-ops do the actual selling by contacting the buying agents of various retail outlets while the conservation boys deliver the product to its destination.

This is an excellent experi- ence for both CASC and DECA as well as rewarding financial- ly. "Buck Shot" will also be available through the school at a reduced rate for those deer hunters that are interested.

Girls to Organize Rifle Team

Eleven girls have gotten to- gether to form a girl's rifle team at Warren High School. The new club was suggested by the Conservation Club.

The team meets every Wednesday and at this time, the girls are in the process of mak- ing needed equipment instead of purchasing it. This is the first year this type of club has been attempted and will be conducted on a trial basis.

The first part of the year will be used as a training pe- riod, but it has been suggested that the girls have some weap- ons shooting experience before joining the team.

The training course will be conducted by Dave Denney and Dan Edwards. After the train- ing, the girls will begin the actual shooting to gain experi- ence for the competition against the Conservation Club mem- bers at the end of the year. Rifles used by the team are supplied by the Conservation Club which is provided with equipment by the National Rifle Association (NRA).

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KENNEDY MURDERED; JOHNSON PRESIDENT



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IT WAS a solemn and grief-stricken moment as the President Lyndon B. Johnson was sworn in as President of the United States in the cabin of the Presidential plane Friday, with widowed Jacqueline Kennedy standing, tear-stained, at his side. The oath

was administered by Judge Sarah T. Hughes, a Kennedy appointee to the Federal Court. This photo was made by Capt. Cecil Stoughton, official White House photographer, the only one permitted to photograph the event.

A Lonely Johnson Enters His White House Office

From AP, New York Times and UPI
WASHINGTON — President Lyndon Baines Johnson Friday night walked, haggard and alone, into the presidential office that now is his.

"I will do my best," the new President said. "That is all I can do. I ask for your

said, "That is all I can do. I ask for your



President John F. Kennedy

Body Returned To Capital in Drama of Grief

WASHINGTON — A dead President returned Friday night to a stunned and saddened Capital.

WASHINGTON — A dead President was taken to a stunned and saddened Capital.

At 6:03 P.M. EST, the big Air Force 1, a jet plane of the group that had carried John F. Kennedy on so many triumphal trips, rolled to a stop at the Andrews Field, 10 miles from the White House.

many triumphal cups.
The House 15 miles from the White House

Sniper Shoots JFK, Wounds Texas Gov.

From AP, New York Times and UPI

DALLAS — President Kennedy was assassinated Friday. Lee Harvey Oswald, 24, a pro-Castro Marxist, was charged with his murder.

Texas Gov. John Connally also was wounded as he and President Kennedy rode in a motorcade through Dallas.

Officers said Oswald was the man who hid on the fifth floor of a textbook warehouse and snapped off three quick shots that killed the President and wounded Connally.

Police earlier had arrested Oswald for the slaying of a Dallas policeman who was shot down on the street shortly after the President's assassination.

Oswald was arraigned shortly before midnight (1 a.m. Detroit time) before Justice of the Peace David B. Johnson.

POLICE SAID Oswald, battered and sullen, denied having anything to do with the assassination, but admitted he worked in the building from which the fatal shots were fired. He would not account for his whereabouts at the time of the assassination, police said.

Oswald was arrested at a theater some four miles from the place where President Kennedy was shot. Police Capt. Will Fritz said it had been established that Oswald had been in the building from which the fatal shots came at the time they were fired.

The President suffered a massive gunshot wound in the brain and was pronounced dead at 2 p.m. (Detroit time).

At the hospital where the President was taken, Rep. Henry B. Gonzalez, of San Antonio, said he watched the nation's First Lady, spotted with blood, kiss the lifeless body of her

Old Locals

In Warren Township Area and usage

Also see Mt Clemens Public Library for more Macomb County Locals

<http://www.mtclib.org/local%20history/placenames.pdf>

The following partial list is from: Macomb County Extinct Towns, Railroad Stops, & Place Name Changes most compiled by Cynthia Ladensack Reference Librarian with additions by local Senior Citizens

Base Line - Post office in area bordered on the south by 8 Mile Road; annexed by Warren when it became a city in 1957.

Bear Creek Mansion the wilderness property on Bear Creek with a big mansion S of 12 Mile East of Mound

Beebe's Corners - Settlement in Warren Township located south of Red Run Creek near Chicago Road between Mound and Van Dyke.

Bath City Mt Clemens

Beverly Hills the area to the north and West of Twelve Mile at Van Dyke before the Tech Center was built.

Burk's (Burke's) Corners - Earlier name of Armada.

Butts - Interurban stop located on the Oakland / Macomb County border in Washington Township at Washington and Dequindre Roads.

Cady's Corners (Cady) - Small town in Clinton Township located at Moravian Drive and Utica Road settled in 1833.

Campau - Rural post office near Mount Clemens opened in April 1899 and closed in May 1900.

Casino - Village in Clinton Township at Canal and Clinton River Roads near the site of 1700s Moravian settlement; later called Frederick.

Centre Line - Original spelling of Center Line.

Clintondale - Name proposed when Clinton Township sought to incorporate as a city in 1967; the proposal failed. *See also* Clinton Valley.

Connor's Creek area of southern Warren which extended into Detroit along a Connor's creek.

Cottageville - Nickname of the village of Warren.

Dalton's Corners - Small settlement in Warren Township located at 8 Mile Road and Van Dyke. After a speakeasy opened there it has been said it was referred to as **Hell's Corners**.

Delaney - Interurban stop in Washington Township, presumably between Mound and Van Dyke south of 29 Mile.

Disco - Small town in Shelby Township located at 24 Mile Road and Van Dyke; also called Utica Plains and Whiskey Center.

Dodge City - Name proposed when southwest corner of Warren Township sought to incorporate as a city in the 1950s; *see also* Fitzgerald.

Eagle Pointe - Settlement located on a point of land projecting into Lake St. Clair in Lake Township (see also); platted in 1916, it was absorbed by the village of St. Clair Shores in 1925.

Fitzgerald - Name proposed when southwest corner of Warren Township sought to incorporate as a city in the 1950s; *see also* Dodge City.

Glenwood - Railroad stop in Warren Township located at Chicago Road between Mound and Van Dyke; also called Oakwood and renamed Warren in 1879.

Gray's Mills - Later name of Clifton.

Groesbeck Station a later name for Warren Station as the industrious Groesbeck family lived there and had an early sawmill up the road.

Halfway - Earlier name of Eastpointe (Post office 1897-1924; Village 1924-1929). Also an interurban stop on Gratiot at 9 Mile Road.

Harlow - Earlier name of Utica (1829-1833).

Haskin's Mills - Sawmill founded in 1828; earlier called Ashley's Mills.

Hickory Township - Original name of Warren Township (1837-1838); later called Alba.

High Bank(s) - Earlier name of Mount Clemens (until 1818).

Hog's Hollow - Earlier name of Utica (1820s).

Honeyoe - Earlier name of Armada

Hoxie or Hoxey Settlement - Earlier name of Romeo; also called Indian Village.

Huron River - Earlier name of the Clinton River.

Indian Village - Earlier name of Romeo and first post office there.

Ingleside - Interurban stop on Gratiot near 14 or 15 Mile Road.

Jefferson Township - Name under which Sterling Township was founded and existed from 1835 to 1838.

King Georgeville a humorous short duration name given to Warren Village during the reign of George

Knight's Crossing - Interurban stop located at 29 Mile and Van Dyke.

Kunrod's Corners as best as can be determined this was the corners of Ten Mile and Sherwood (then called State Road) where the Kunrod family lived and later Louis ran a Tavern in the 1880s

Ladd Center an area of SW Warren centered around the Ladd school on Cunningham but extending for about a mile in every direction covered by the Ladd Center News Newspaper.

Lake Shore - Village on the shores of Lake St. Clair near Vernier (8 Mile Road); incorporated with St. Clair Shores in 1925.

Irvville a small area near Ten Mile and Ryan where Irv Little had a real estate kingdom.

Lamb - Interurban stop in Washington Township, presumably between Mound and Van Dyke, near 28 Mile.

MacDougallville - Earlier name of Utica (1817-1820s).

Milk River - Interurban stop on Jefferson between 8 and 9 Mile Roads.

Missile Land referred to the Missile base near the NW corner of 10 Mile and Ryan

Moravian Village- Village in Clinton Township along the Clinton River at Harrington and Moravian.

Established June 21, 1782 as New Gnadenhutten.

Mudville general nickname for Warren roads after a rain and in the wet times. However this could easily be used by anyone anywhere to refer to a place with muddy roads.

Oakwood - Railroad stop in Warren Township located at Chicago Road between Mound and Van Dyke; also called **Glenwood**. In 1879 it was renamed **Warren** and the same date as **Warren Station** was named Groesbeck.

Rinkeland One of the longest lasting big farms in Warren Township located at Hoover and Masonic.

Ryan Woods the area to the west of Ryan at Nine mile Road

Spinnings- Railroad station in Warren Township at the railroad stop on 14 Mile Road between Mound and Van Dyke.

Van Dyke - Village located around Van Dyke north of 8 Mile Road; platted in 1917, it is now part of the city of Warren.

Warren Station - Railroad stop located at 10 Mile Road between Mound and Van Dyke; now part of Center Line.

XXXX POND XXXX WOODS PLACE THE PROPERTY OWNERS NAME IN FRONT. This was commonly used by local people and children to refer to the local woods or pond where they went adventuring hunting or swimming (sometimes in the nude.) As a historical note both boys and girls would go swimming in the nude and it was no big deal. They were all raised on the farm with animals. There was no sex involved just swimming. I remember going to boy scout swimming lessons at Pershing High School in 1958 where a hundred boys would be swimming in the nude. There was no abnormal or sex behavior. The adult swim instructors did wear shorts. The only ruckus was once when a boy's mother came in and sat on the bleachers and all hundred of us jumped into the water until she was ushered out. Ben Franklin tells of swimming to somewhere in the nude. The only problem was when someone stole or hid your clothes. If you swam with girls you dared not touch them because if you did and her father told your father you had a trip to the woodshed where your nude fanny experienced a thorough whipping with a willow switch which meant that if you were allowed to have dinner you would be eating standing up. ;-)

Home Inventions

Pioneer life revolved around the farm. Pioneers made nearly everything then needed at first. All food was grown locally. Most folks in the 1800s did not travel farther than a few miles from their farm. Most of the beginning tools that our pioneers used were hand made. often the pioneer made his own tools from what resources were available. Gords were used as storage containers. Buckets were made of wood bound by rings of vines. There were no nails, fasteners, screws, nuts or bolts. A few metal things were made by a blacksmith. The following fotos are for the most part common objects and tools you will recognise.







sheep steerer





chamber pot not used for cooking



corn stripper



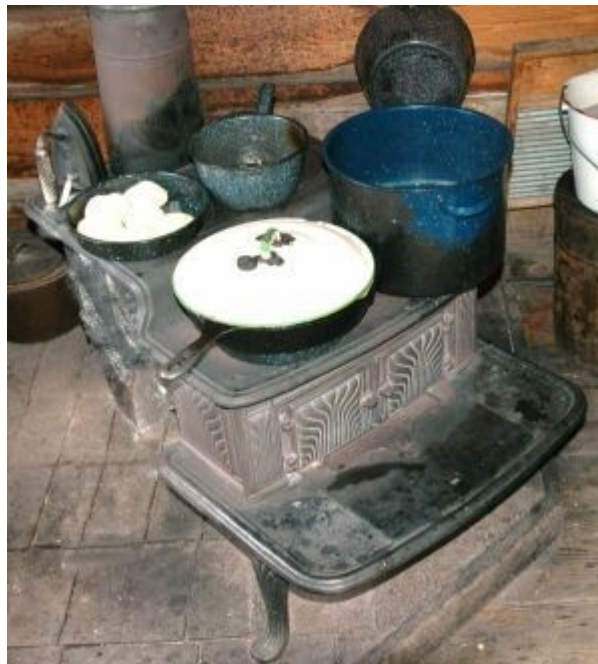
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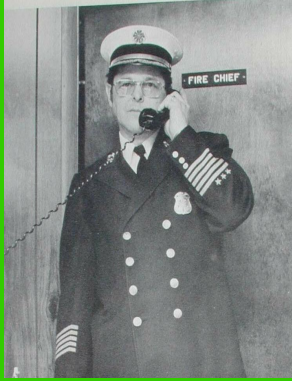
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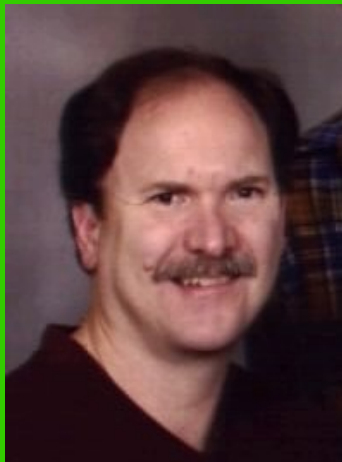
These wonderful people have helped preserve our local history.



Norman Smith

Fire Chief of Center Line, Goodfellow, Historian,
Fireman, Grandfather

He has helped many people. He has helped Wesley Arnold record our history. He has overseen and cared for the St Clement Cemetery for years. He is a true inspiration to us all.



Mike Grobbel

Historian Researcher and author of the first and best site on Center Line History. He continues to do research and publish it at his own expense. He is a wonderful person to work with. He has helped many others. He now also owns the Garland Bank.

Jack Schram

Historian. He has researched history of transportation in our area and collected pictures which he has shared. He published books on Transportation. His son Ken has been very helpful to those interested in history.



Anna Kluck

Anna wrote historical articles and interviewed old timers. Unfortunately she did not share her research. I am hoping that perhaps her relatives inherited her research and will share it. Problem is we do not know who they are.

Pat Hallman

She has left her wonder work all over Macomb County. The Bunert School exists today mostly because of her labors. Research on the Bear Creek mansion was done by her. There are several other studies she has done that has benefited those interested in history. We owe her a great dept of gratitude for her great work.

Tom Turmel

Who had done much historical work and beautified our lives and cared for many people and plants.

Lislie Foss

Was dedicated to creating and preserving our Center Line Public Library

David Hanselman

Who is an inspiration to all

Bert Hazen

Historian, former Mayor of Center Line. He and Harold Stilwell researched and wrote the Silver Anniversery of Center Line book.

Harold Stilwell

Active city councilman with an interest in history, he penned a booklet on Warren history.

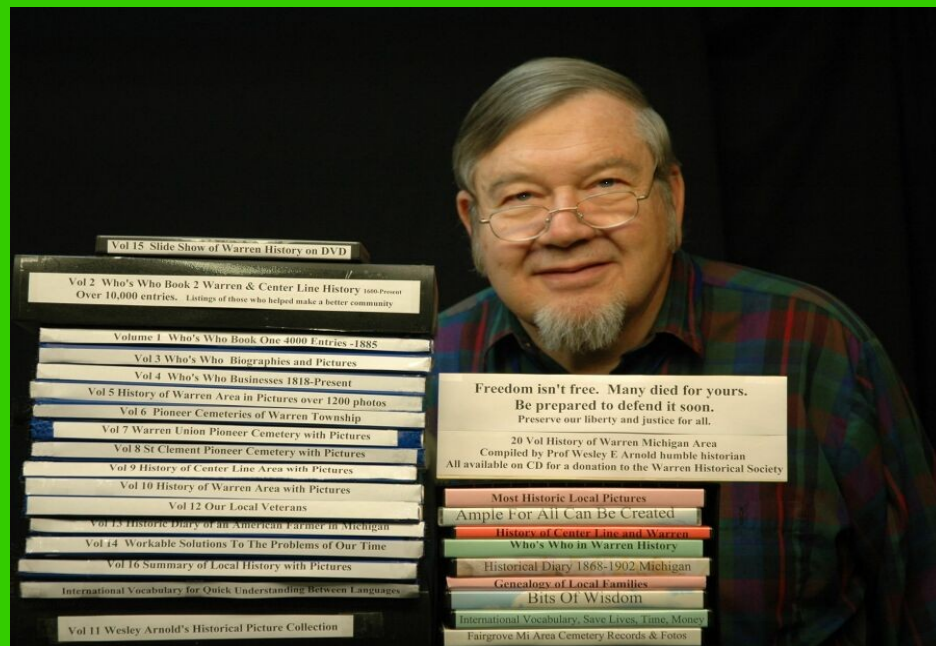
Hubert and Dorothy Leech

For their long labors to preserve our history

And all those who gave their lives preserving our freedoms

And those who have labored to preserve our history

Thank You



The Late Wesley Arnold

Wrote useful books like Workable Solutions to the Problems of our time, Did Doctoral work on finding the easiest language to use around the world; wrote International Vocabulary International Communication and Understanding in ¼ the time. was a Red Cross Volunteer, Scout Leader, Social Worker, Teacher, College Professor, Humanitarian, and humble historian. Wrote 20 Vol History of Warren and Center Line and published it without cost to others and shared all of his research and fotos. He was an Army veteran and a soldier in the War on Terrorists. Thank you Wes for the history research, and the beautiful old music videos on your history site, Thank you for teaching the Golden Rule as a standard of human conduct and for warning us to be educated, informed and prepared, and most of all we thank you for your service to your fellow Americans and for having the courage to stand up against the local terrorists here in Warren MI who threatened to kill you if you did not take your web site down. (He was a witness against some local terrorists)

at Forest Lawn



And the list continues

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Trail of Tears 1838 Evicted from their legally owned own land



The Northwest Territory, which included the area that would become Michigan, was a wild place. The British, Indians, a few French, soldiers, woodsmen, were busy fighting and killing each other. The Indians defeated the American armies several times until General Anthony Wayne won against them in 1794. The Indian chiefs finally realized that the Americans outnumbered and out armed them and they could not stop the Americans from coming in. After several months of talks a big feast was thrown at Fort Greenville Ohio. The Indians were given fire water, \$20,000 in goods and promised \$9,500 more a year in exchange for giving up most of their lands. They were promised that settlers would not settle any more on the Indian lands above a certain line. They signed the Treaty of Greenville. The Americans broke the treaty then killed or moved the Indians off of the land that was agreed on as belonging to the Indians forcing them to fight back costing thousands of lives on both sides.

Outnumbered, outweaponed, beaten, out educated, killed, wounded, starved, cheated, the Indians moved or were moved with cruel force further west and “civilized” man took over. Some of these peoples had settled down to farm on land given to them by treaty and land that their forefathers had lived on for centuries. They had settled down as farmers and had started schools, built roads, and were living peacefully. But an army of 7,000 men came and forced them to march a thousand miles in the bitter winter or 1838-9 without proper food or clothing. Over 4,000 men, women and children died. Look up Trail of Tears. The supreme court had even ruled in the Indians favor and Davy Crocket then a congressman had urged congress not to allow their removal, as did Chief Justice John Marshall, Daniel Webster and Henry Clay.

How can a country which was formed on the promise “that all men are created equal, and are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights” allow an army to remove peaceful people from their legal homes and force them to march 1000 miles on foot in a bitter winter without proper clothing or preparation or food and water? In World War II we locked up Japanese people who had done nothing wrong. And a very scary historical observation, recently government has broken down doors of homes without knocking, without a warrant, ransacked homes, and removed homeowners personal property. Also people have recently been held in jail without a hearing, in clear violation of the constitution and this practice is being allowed to continue. Look up “Patriot Act & Military Tribunal Act.” And the government did not compensate the homeowners for the losses. So you should ask can it happen here? It has happened in fact many times since. In summary let this be a lesson that we must be vigilant about our rights. A threat to one is a threat to all.

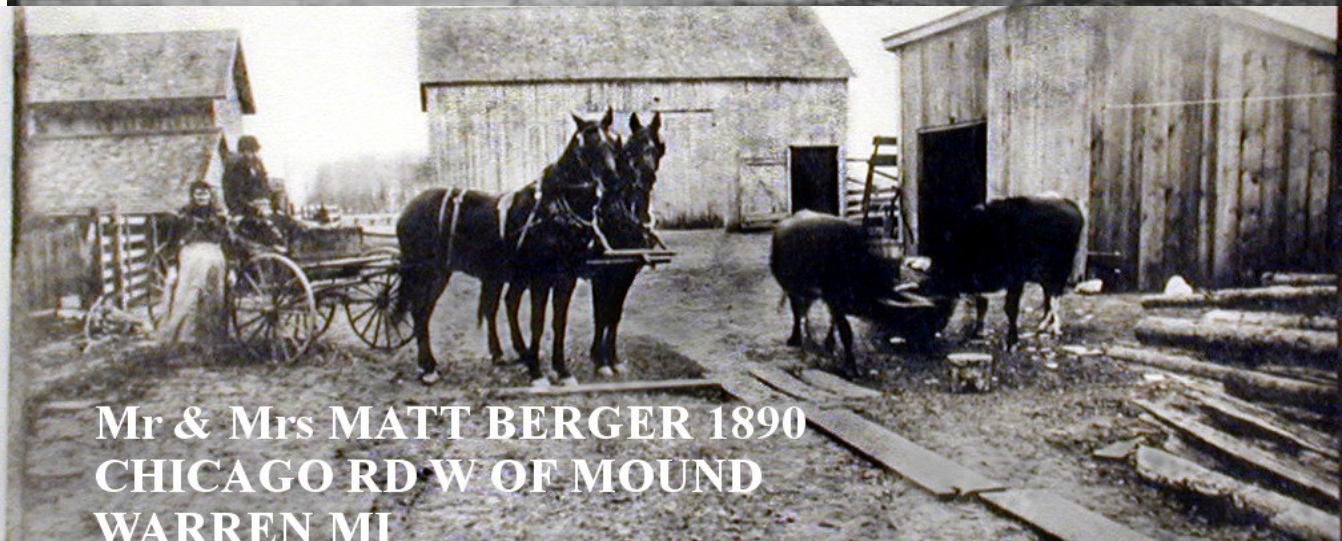


Warren Farms

The Rinke Farm









**OPFER LOG CABIN CANFIELD (13) 1/2 WAY
BETWEEN SCHOENHERR & HAYES 1972**

